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New Scroll for Art Museum

"Chung K'uei (The Demon Queller) on a Mule" is a hanging scroll by Pu Ju (1896-1963) featured during December as the New Acquisition at the Asian Art Museum of SF in Golden Gate Park.

The artist was a descendant of the Qing emperor Tao-kuang and was considered one of the leading artists in Beijing during the 1920's. The Demon Queller and a ghostly entourage are depicted on the road to his mountain home in Shensi province. The full scroll also has calligraphy (not shown here) which describes events in the life of Chung K'uei.

The Asian Art Museum is open every day except Christmas from 10 am to 5 pm. Admission is $2 for adults and 50c for youths and seniors. Children under 5 and members admitted free. For information, call 558-2993.

In Jan. C-Town MIA's Must Go to SF General Hospital

By PAUL JUSTI

SAN FRANCISCO — For those who cannot afford major medical expenses but do not qualify for Medi-Cal, January will not be a good time to get sick.

Under a new county plan to care for Medically Indigent Adults (MIA's), the so-called "working poor," all MIA's would have to go to SF General Hospital for treatment, and some doubt that SFGH will have either the capacity or funding to handle the extra load.

QUESTIONS

When the sweeping changes in Medi-Cal were passed last summer, responsibility for MIA's was transferred from the state to individual counties. At the same time, however, only 70% of the Medi-Cal funding for treating this population was transferred to the counties (*E/W* 9/29/82).

Dan Richardi, administrator of Chinese Hospital, recently raised some serious questions about the way in which SF is handling this responsibility.

"The county plan is to have all acute care (hospitalization) at SFGH, and no longer at other hospitals. Primary care (doctor's visits) would also be at a single facility, near SFGH," explained Richardi.

"This raises a lot of serious complications as to transportation, language, cultural sensitivity of the staff, timely access," he charged.

DEMAND

"In addition, on an average there are 50 MIA's at SFGH and 100 more in hospitals throughout the city on any given day. Under the county plan, this would mean an additional 100 patients at SFGH. As I understand it, SFGH doesn't have the staff or the beds to handle another 100 patients."

"In January (when the plan goes into effect), I predict it will become quite evident that SFGH is not able to accommodate the extra demand."

Jeff Lange, administrator of SFGH, was cautiously optimistic about SFGH's ability to handle the added patient load. "It's difficult to say, though," he acknowledged, "because we're dealing with a lot of projections and speculation (about levels of demand).

"The plan that's been developed now is a minimal one. We feel it will be adequate if the low end of the projections are the actual levels of demand. But it's not adequate if we encounter the high end of the estimates," conceded Lange. "If so, we will need to commit more resources to the program."

UNIQUE

Richardi added that on any given day, there are 2 MIA's in Chinese Hospital, patients that would have to be transferred to SFGH. The unique features of Chinese Hospital, including Chinese-speaking staff and Chinese dietary programs, would be lost to these patients.

"Communicating with the patient is very important. Communication between doctor and patient is an essential part of health care," noted Richardi, cautioning that monolingual patients may suffer if forced to transfer from Chinese Hospital.

"Being in the hospital can be a frightening experience if you can't communicate with the staff," Richardi observed.

(Lange said that SFGH does have some Chinese-speaking staff persons and that there is an interpreter service that is on call for most shifts. "We'll be beefing it up," he said.)

CARS

"It's also important to provide health care in a facility that's easily accessible," Richardi asserted, pointing out that only 5% of Chinatown residents have cars, making it necessary to find alternative transportation to get to SFGH should MIA's in the community fall ill.

He warned that problems of access could result in patients not seeking care until their illness becomes very bad.

Perhaps the biggest problem in treating MIA's under the county plan is notifying MIA's that they must go to SFGH for treatment. Richardi explained that MIA's are not a "card-carrying population," that is, they are not usually registered as MIA's in advance of becoming ill.

"They usually qualify when they get sick and enter the hospital. So how do you notify them that they have to go to location X (SFGH) for treatment?" wondered Richardi.

TRAGEDY

He hypothesized that under the county's plan, if a patient enters a hospital and discovers he or she is eligible for MIA coverage, the

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Judge Low Nominated To Court Of Appeals

By DIANE YEN-MEI WONG

SAN FRANCISCO — In the last weeks of his tenure as the state's top leader, Governor Jerry Brown nominated six more persons to fill the new vacancies for the state Court of Appeal.

Among his nominees is San Francisco Superior Court Judge Harry W. Low, who currently serves as the supervising judge at the SF Youth Guidance Center. The 16-year veteran of the bench found out about the nomination last Thursday.

SURPRISED

"I heard from a lot of people that I might get a call (about the nomination)," recalled Judge Low, "but I've heard that before." He laughingly referred to incidences in the past when he had received premature word of a possible seat on that higher court.

Though Judge Low was not surprised by his nomination, his selection by Brown as the presiding judge of the newly-created fifth district did catch him off-guard. "Frankly, I was not expecting that, but it's very nice," he declared.

As presiding judge, Low will have a role in assigning cases to the other judges for the writing opinions and in reviewing writs, or applications, to the court for a hearing. Judge Low believes that his past experiences have especially equipped him for the position.

He cited time spent as a presiding judge in the municipal court, and on the motions calendar. He has also chaired many meetings, including those of the California Judges Association, of which he was post president.

'TRENCHES'

Though he admitted that he enjoyed administrative work, Judge Low was quick to point out that his years as a trial judge will also help him as an appeals judge.

"It's helpful to be knowledgeable about trials," he asserted. If I'm going to be reviewing other judges' work, it's important to have been 'down in the trenches,' so to speak."

Judge Low's non-controversial—as he and others describe it—legal background may help him make it through the remainder of the appointment process. That precedure still includes an interview and public hearing before Chief Jusitice Rose Bird, Senior Presiding Judge of the first district and governor-elect George Deukmeijan.

Deukmeijan recently reiterated his opposition to Brown's lame-duck appointments. At the same time, however, he also acknowledged Brown's power to make the nominations.

WEEDED OUT

His spokesperson Kevin Brett told the *San Francisco Chronicle* last Friday that Deukmejian "will end up considering each candidate for the courts based on his or her merits and qualifications."

Michael Lee, a member of the State Commission on Judicial Evaluation, which reviewed and rated all the potential nominees, including Low, expressed confidence

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that the process adequately weeded out those jurists who would not be competent to handle the responsibilities of the bench.

"I'm satisfied with the process. It's a rigorous screening and we get input from lawyers, judges and others who know him(Low) best. If he can get through our commission, he's qualified," stated Lee.

In the three years that the judicial evaluation group has been in existence, Lee pointed out, the confirmation panel has never before rejected a nominee who has passed this initial screening.

QUALIFIED

"It Deukmeijan means what he says about doing it on the merits, Harry Low should pass," predicted the commissioner.

Cedric Chao, president of the Asian American Bar Association, concurred. "Judge Low is legally qualified—independent of whether he is Asian or not. And, he is also highly recognized in the Asian community."

Calling the nomination "tremendous," Chao explained that the "big battle was to get the governor to submit his (Low's) name in the first place. Now Low . . . must pass muster before the three people on the panel."

ELEVATED

Judge Low, who became San Francisco's first Chinese American jurist in 1960, graduated from Boalt Law School, University of California at Berkeley. Appointed to the Municipal court by Governor Edmund G. Brown Sr., he was later elevated to the superior court by then-governor Ronald Reagan.

With his interview before the confirmation panel scheduled to take place sometime in the next two weeks, Judge Low is looking forward to the time when he can start his new duties. "I'm very interested in the position. I've enjoyed every assignment I've had."

Persons or groups that wish to submit written statements about Judge Harry Low's confirmation should sent them to the Commission on Judicial Appointments, 350 McAllister, SF, 94102. □

EDITORIAL

Confirm Judge Low

As he fast approaches the last few days in office, Governor Jerry Brown has made known his nominees for the new seats on the Court of Appeals. One of those named is San Francisco Superior Court Judge Harry Low.

Low is well-recognized in both the legal and the Asian communities for his ability to administer programs and to listen fairly to all sides of an issue before stating his position.

With over 16 years of experience under his belt, he ranks high as a candidate who can contribute to the furtherance of legal thought and jurisprudence in this state.

More importantly for the Asian American community, perhaps, is Low's history of involvement in issues that particularly affect our community.

Most recently as the supervising judge at the Youth Guidance Center, Judge Low instituted a lecture series to help sensitize and educate youth residents —and staff — about the experiences and history of various minority groups, including Asians.

With a continued sensitivity to the issues and a commitment to keep learning about how Asians interface with the legal system, *East/West* believes Judge Low can be a fair and objective representative of the community.

We urge the Commission on Judicial Evaluation to assess this man and his skills on an individual basis, and not to let the political controversy surrounding the appointment process cloud the decision to confirm him.

We support Judge Harry Low for the Court of Appeals. □

China's Modest Plan

In its recent meeting in Beijing, the Chinese Congress unveiled a modest, but realistic five-year economic plan, which shifts investment funds from heavy industry to basic needs, such as energy and transportation.

Instead of over-optimistically seeking some unreachable goals, Premier Zhao Ziyang called for only an annual growth target of four percent. The plan reflected the cautious and pragmatic approach of Deng Xiaoping, and will be welcomed by the Chinese people.

The Congress has also revised the country's Constitution, which was drastically altered during the Cultural Revolution. The new document spells out Beijing's determination to protect the legitimate rights of overseas Chinese who are citizens of China and their relatives, as well as those who have returned and established residency in China.

Most overseas Chinese have become naturalized citizens of the country in which they now live. And it is correct that they don't come under the protection of China's Constitution.

What the Chinese leadership needs to understand, though, is that it has a moral responsibility toward the overseas Chinese, who still face much racial discrimination.

China's relationship to another country, including the US, affects how Chinese in that country are treated or perceived.

For instance, until China fought as a United States ally in World War II, Chinese women were not permitted to immigrate to join their husbands. China's role in the war resulted in a change in the immigration legislation to permit a large number of "war brides" to immigrate here.

East/West hopes that when this new basic law is passed, China will be able to enter a period of stability and growth, which will benefit not only the people *there*, but which will also lessen the racial and political tensions that *overseas* Chinese sometimes face. □

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Dick Wong Accuses Nob Hill Residents of Interference

By PAUL JUSTI

SAN FRANCISCO — A heated controversy over Chinatown zoning has developed recently and part of the controversy concerns who is fighting whom about what.

The controversy surfaced at a November Planning Commission meeting over a proposal to build a 12-story condominium project at 814 Stockton St.

QUESTIONS

The project, being developed by Dick Wong of Fiory and Wong Architects, and president of Chinese Six Companies, was opposed by the city's Parks and Recreation Department.

Department head Thomas Malloy told the commissioners that the proposed 160-foot building would block a substantial amount of sunlight from reaching Chinese Playground (*E/W* 11/24/82).

Wong, however, raised questions about who is actually behind the opposition and why.

At a press conference held last week, Wong charged that the real issue was not sunlight in Chinese Playground, but rather a fight that pits Nob Hill residents against the Chinatown community.

He claimed that opposition to the project is part of a broad attempt to restrict growth and development in Chinatown by downzoning the area from a commercial zoning to a mixed residential/commercial zoning.

HEMMED IN

A proposal is currently before the Planning Commission to downzone the 800 blocks of Stockton and Sacramento Streets. The proposal is supported by the Parks and Recreation Dept. in order to prevent Chinese Playground from being hemmed in and shaded by tall buildings.

Under the present commercial zoning, the maximum allowable building height is 160 feet. However, if the proposal to downzone is passed, this height limit would be drastically reduced to 60 feet.

Further, under the mixed residential/commercial zoning, only the ground floor could be used for commercial purposes, with the rest of the building devoted to housing.

"I believe the opposition (to the Stockton Street project) is coming from Nob Hill," the architect declared. "They're acting in their own selfish interests and don't want anyone to build in Chinatown because it would block their view.

"They are trying to get behind the Parks and Recreation Dept. to make it look like the opposition and the proposal to downzone Stockton and Sacramento are coming from the Parks and Recreation Dept.," alleged Wong.

BLOCKED

Mel Lee, a commissioner with the city's Redevelopment Agency, supported Wong's contention. "Historically, the people from Nob Hill have enjoyed the view for the last 60 years and now their view will be blocked.

"These same kind of people tried unsuccessfully to block the Mei Lun Yuen project. Now they are trying to use the Parks and Recreation Dept. as a pawn to block the project and downzone Chinatown," Lee suggested.

"This is a community project and we don't want people from outside the community coming in like this," stated the commissioner.

However, Malloy bristled at suggestions that his opposition was connected to the concerns of Nob Hill residents. "The impact of the building on Nob Hill has absolutely no bearing, influence or significance on the fact of my opposition.

IMPACT

"There may well be residents of Nob Hill who oppose the project because it will block their view. But my opposition is based solely on the impact of the building on Chinese Playground," Malloy declared, noting that his position has been unanimously supported by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

"We've spent well over $500,000 trying to improve Chinese Playground. Open space recreation is so limited in Chinatown and we're trying to get maximum use out of minimum space," explained Malloy.

"Any amount of shadow will have an adverse impact on the playground — it's warmer in the sun that in the shadows," he concluded.

While insisting that the real issue was downzoning not sunlight, Wong countered that the shadow effect was, in any case, minimal, affecting only a small portion of the playground.

EVIL

"The only time there is any shadow effect is in June, when the shadow occurs at 3:00 rather than 4:00, and only at the north end of the tennis court," he asserted.

"And there's nothing wrong with shade — it doesn't mean you can't still play. Many people enjoy sitting in the shade when it's hot. They're making it look like shade is something evil," the architect observed.

"Concerned citizens in Chinatown are against this attempt to downzone the area," he alleged. "We grew up here and we know the conditions in Chinese Playground — they don't."

Lee also stressed the community's greater familiarity with Chinese Playground. "I've played in that playground since I was 12 years old. As far as the shadow effect is concerned, I feel it would be negligible."

ERRONEOUS

He noted that opposition to the proposed building is coming from outside of the community, from Malloy and a UC Berkeley urban environment specialist, Peter Bossell-man, who prepared slides for the Planning Commission showing how the building would block sunlight into the playground. (*E/W* 11/24/82).

"There's no protest from the community because the building is within the height limit," Lee commented.

Lee labelled as "absolutely erroneous" the suggestions by Planning Commissioner Susan Bierman that the lack of community opposition was due to the fact that the project was backed by Six Companies.

Agreeing with Lee, Wong elaborated, "She doesn't know who Six Companies are. We *are* the community and we represent the interests of the community. Anything we can do for the welfare of the community, we do it," he claimed.

FUNDAMENTAL

Downzoning is being actively considered only along the 800 blocks of Stockton and Sacramento. Wong stressed, though, that the issue was not simply the Stockton St. project, but the broader issue of downzoning in general.

"If we don't oppose these attempts, there will be no place to grow and to meet the needs of Chinatown.

"A commercial zoning doesn't mean there won't be any housing," he said, noting that his project would provide some housing. "But people have to have the choice if they want to put in housing or not.

"This is a fundamental right the owner is entitled to," declared Wong. "We're not fighting against anyone, we're fighting for our rights."

TROUBLE

Lee echoed Wong's words. "If we let it go this time, we're looking for trouble in the future."

Thus far, the proposed Stockton Street condominium project is the only building affected by the downzone proposal. If the zone is changed, however, plans to expand the Chinatown YMCA could also be affected. YMCA director Alan Wong offered his comments on the zoning controversy.

"Both sides have a point," he observed. "Open space recreation and light are important, but to serve the young people and to meet the needs of Chinatown, we need new construction."

"Both concerns are legitimate. I'm looking forward to an open discussion on the issues involved and to get the community involved in the debate," commented the Y's director. □

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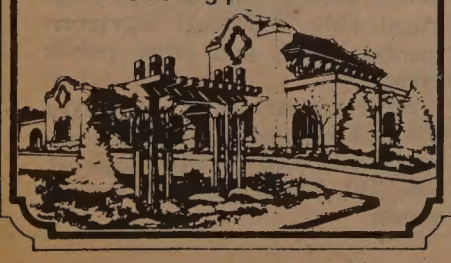
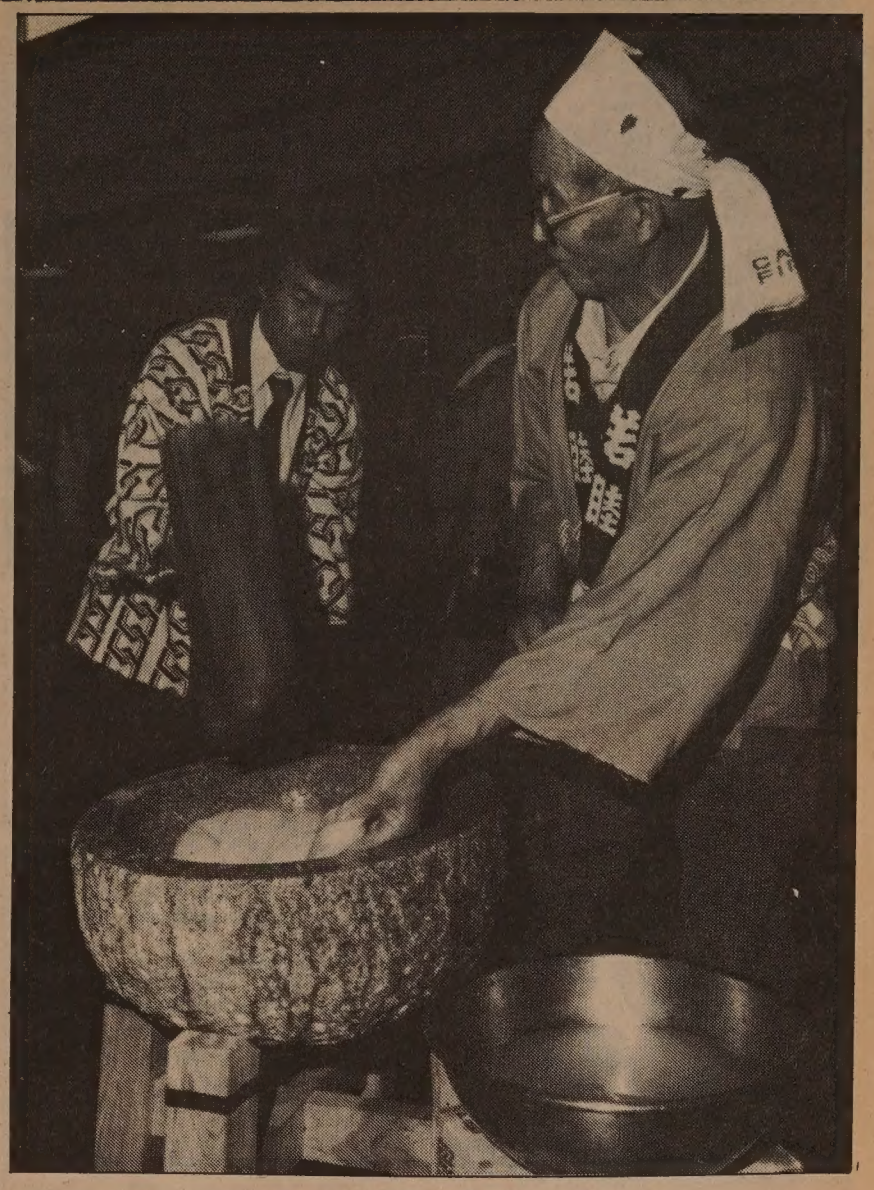


Japan's PM Plans Jan. Visit to US

TOKYO — Japan's new prime minister, Yasuhiro Nakasone, has accepted an invitation from President Reagan to visit Washington Jan. 18, a Japanese Foreign Ministry spokesman announced last week. □



J'town Celebrates

San Francisco Japantown celebrates the holiday season with a series of *mochi* (rice)-pounding ceremonies and other popular Japanese.

Japanese drummers, *mochi* pounders, and volunteers from the audience will participate in this event that culminates with the making of mochi — a pastry-like rice cake signifying good fortune.

The festivities, which opened on Dec. 5, continue with traditional Japanese taiko drumming by members of the San Francisco's Taiko Dojo, followed by *mochi* pounders.

These hard-workers demonstrate their skill, strength, and sense of timing by wielding long-handled wooden mallets (*kine*) and rhythmically pounding large quantities of steaming rice into a thick paste.

When the rice has been pounded to the right consistency, it will be sweetened and shaped into *mochi*. Visitors are welcome to sample the bit-sized cakes.

The making and eating of *mochi* have been integral parts of the Japanese New Year's celebration since the Heian period (794-1185) when the rice cakes were presented to the Kami (God) and to one's ancestors on New Year's Dy.

Kami's portion then was divided and given to each person to insure his or her good health and good fortune.

Today, *mochi* still symbolizes happiness and good fortune and continues to be an indispensable part of the New Year celebration.

The season's second *mochi*-pounding ceremony held on Sunday, Dec. 19, will be preceded by a "Family Karoake," a Japanese-style amateur singing contest. Family teams demonstrate their talents in a melodious competition which begins at 1 pm at the Japan Center Peace Plaza.

The *mochi* pounding ceremony — accompanied by *taiko* drumming — commences at 2 pm in the Center's Kintetsu Building and will continue until approximately 3:30.

A program of Japanese dancing presented by the *Rokushige Fujima* dancers opens the festivities on Wedneseday, Dec. 29, at 1 pm.

The performance will be followed at 1:30 by Japantown's holiday prize drawing. A 2:30 the mallets swing again in the third and final *mochi*-pounding ceremony of the season.

All of the December 29 events will take place in the Center's Kintetsu Building.

Admission is free. Volunteers from the audience will be invited to participate in the *mochi*-pounding ceremonies. The Japan Center is located at Post and Buchanan Streets in San Francisco. □

World Welcomes Refugees Less Now, Says UN

UNITED NATIONS — The world is becoming less hospitable toward refugees, according to UN High Commissioner for Refugees Paul Hartling.

Some 10 million people, most in Africa and Asia, are seeking asylum after leaving their own countries, Hartling said in his latest annual report.

"There are indications that governments in different areas of the world are adopting an increasingly restrictive appraoch in granting durable asylum..." the report said.

He attributed this in part to the continuing flow of refugees, which has provoked some public hostility, and to economic recession, which has exacerbated the view that refugees are potential competitors for limited jobs. □

CHINESE WORD-A-DAY

"The Left Side"

The word for "the left side" looks like a hitchhiker with three pieces of luggage, thumbing a ride on the highway.

"What does that have to do with the left side?"

Well, he is standing on the left side of the road. Can't you see? He is even thumbing to the left with both thumbs. (Count them: one, two.)

In the old days the Chinese referred to the east side as the left side, and the west side the right side.

Interestingly, the Chinese classics taught us that the right side is prosperous, the left poor. Again, it taught us that the right side is righteous, the left side wicked. I am not going to get involved in this argument or take sides. The classics also taught us that the right side is masculine and the left side is feminine. (Ladies, please don't burn the classics!)

Mandarin **DZWO**

Cantonese **JAW**

Rhyme with PAW

Originally "left" and "right" meant the left and right hands. Therefore the compound "left right" means to be helpful, such as helping someone with both hands.

It is fortunate that the modern Chinese seldom use "left right" to mean help. Just consider how ridiculous it would be to have the brave soldiers marching down the street yelling:

"Help, help, help, help . . . !"

By Gordon Lew

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patient would have to make it down to SFGH. "This problem really has not been adequately addressed," Richardi cautioned, "and it could be a real tragedy."

Many of Richardi's concerns were ,in fact, supported by the county's MIA program manager, Peter Yedidia.

He explained that centralizing all MIA treatment at SFGH was, in the city's view, the most efficient way to utilize the limited state funds made available to the city for the treatment of MIA's.

The city wished to see if it was possible to avoid having to commit city funds to the MIA program and get by with the state funds, stated the manager.

THRESHOLD

He admitted, however, that even though Medi-Cal only transferred 70% of the MIA treatment funds,this amount really only represented an estimated 53% of the actual projected program costs.

"We wanted to start out slowly, using only the state funds, to see what the need is, examining the demand for services, waiting times, access and language problems, etc. We've defined certain threshold levels at which point we'll start using city funds, though," he assured.

"It's really hard to say if the current plan is adequate. We used the best figures we had available to us to project what the need will be. "Frankly, if these figures turn out to be right, there isn't going to be enough (state funds)," he admitted.

"We'll have to look closely at the program during the first two months to see what's happening. It's a strange new world we're entering (with the new Medi-Cal changes) and we're moving cautiously."

LAST RESORT

While recognizing that there are problems with the county MIA plan, Yedidia denied that anyone would be denied health care, even if the current plan proves inadequate.

"We're the provider of last resort and anyone who needs care will get it," he maintained.

Responding to the claim that many MIA's may not know they are MIA-eligible and need to go to SFGH for treatment, Yedidia admitted that this did present some problems.

"It's true that for some MIA's it's not until they need care that they qualify. But we're looking into provisions to deal with this.

"We are also sending letters to (known) MIA's notifying them of the changes and the services available," he said, expressing confidence that the vast majority of MIA's would be reached.

ALTERNATIVE

An alternative to the controversial city plan was submitted to the mayor's office, Richardi said. Under the alternative plan, care for the MIA's would be provided by various community health centers and hospitals.

In Chinatown, treatment would be provided at Northeast Medical Services and at Chinese Hospital. That alternative plan would eliminate the problems of access, language, and cultural sensitivity by providing community-based care, Richardi argued.

"It's important to have a health care service right here in the community," he said. "The only ones that can provide the right care are local, bilingual, culturally sensitive health care workers."

However ,the alternative plan would require the expenditure of $10 million in city funds.

REEVALUATED

Yedidia said that it was to avoid committing city funds to the program that the plan was rejected by the mayor's office. City funds will be spent only after it becomes apparent that the state funds are inadequate, he said.

Richardi told *East/West* that the proponents of the alternative plan, including himself, were told by the mayor's office that the present county plan would be reevaluated in March and alternatives considered at that time.

In the meantime, Richardi is hoping the community will prepare to participate in the public hearings to assess the current plan.

"There's going to be a lot of confusion until a different mechanism is in place," he predicted.

"It's not going to be easy, but we need to have the whole community at the hearings. Otherwise, there really is going to be a two-tier health care system."

'China Spring' Leader Explains Movement's Goals

BERKELEY — Wang Bingzhang, spokesperson for the emerging Chinese democratic movement, China Spring, was in the Bay Area this week to give a series of lectures describing the origins and goals of the movement.

Speaking on behalf of the editorial board of the movement's magizine, also called *China Spring*, Wang explained that the term "Chinese democratic movement" refers to a series of anti-government activities which began in the last stages of the Cultural Revolution and which continued into the post-Cultural Revolution period.

BANNED

These activities include the writing of *da zi bao* (wall posters) and the publication of non-sanctioned literature, actions for which many of the participants were imprisoned by the Chinese government.

The name of the magazine, *China Spring*, derives from the underground publication "Beijing Spring" banned in China in 1979.

Wang claimed that the China Spring movement includes overseas Chinese as well as Chinese in China. Those supporters living abroad seek to take advantage of living abroad to promote the movement and press for the release of those supporters imprisoned in China, he maintained.

FORCE

Blaming many of China's current economic problems on the lack of democracy in China, he noted, "People's need for bread cannot be separated from the practice of democracy and rule by law." Democratic rule is the movement's long-term goal.

Wang was asked by members of the audience what his group's position was with regard to Hong Kong and Taiwan, specifically if his group supported the use of military force to overrun Hong Kong and Taiwan.

"We would have representatives independent of both the Communist and Nationalist Parties to negotiate the terms of unification, and have people exercise their right to vote to decide which system they prefer," Wang responded. □

China Pledges Flexibility For Taiwan

BEIJING — In its latest appeal to the authorities on Taiwan, Beijing has pledged to grant the island a "high degree of self-government" as part of a plan for peaceful reunification with the mainland.

Peng Zhen, vice chairman of China's National People's Congress, outlined the plan in an address to the opening session of the congress.

He said Beijing is prepared to be "highly flexible" in negotiations with Taipei, and would allow Taiwan to retain its non-socialist economic system.

The provisions are detailed in China's new constitution, which the congress is expected to adopt during its current session. □

Joyce Ito Named Pub. Broadcasting Newsletter Editor

SACRAMENTO — Joyce Ito, a graduate student attending California State University in Sacramento, has been named associate editor of the California Public Broadcasting Corporation's newsletter.

Reduced Tension Predicted for China and USSR

BEIJING — Diplomatic analysts predict reduced tension between Moscow and Beijing but did not anticipate a major Sino-Soviet rapproachement or alliance, according to United Press International.

Blocks to normalized relations include the Soviet military presence along the Chinese border, Soviet involvement in Afghanistan and Soviet support for Vietnamese troops occupying Cambodia.

UPI quotes as a senior Chinese official as saying Beijing does not think Moscow will abandon its expansionist policies, but the Soviet Union may be willing to make "tactical changes."

Moscow and Beijing both hope such changes can reduce tension. Exploratory talks aimed at relaxing Sino-Soviet tensions began in Beijing in October, and will continue in Moscow early next year. □

SF Health Dept. Seeks Minorities For Advisory Bd.

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Health Department is seeking applicants for four vacancies on a community advisory board concerned with family health, chronic and communicable diseases, environmental health and other public issues.

Representatives of minority groups are urged to apply. For an application call Judith Hager at 558-2761. The board meets once a month. □

CAA Finds Fault with '82 Election Materials

SAN FRANCISCO — Chinese for Affirmative Action executive director Henry Der has sent a letter to Secretary of State March Fong Eu alleging that her office did not take adequate steps to ensure the availability of Chinese and Spanish voter pamphlets to non-English speaking voters in the June and November elections.

The group expressed, "grave concern that these ballot pamphlets did not contain any notification in the appropriate languages to (SF) Chinese-speaking and Spanish-speaking voters that these ballot pamphlets were available in Chinese or Spanish to non-English speaking voters."

A copy of that letter was made available to *East/West* earlier this week.

DISMISSED

Deborah Seiler, chief of elections and political reform with the Secretary of State's office, dismissed Der's criticisms. She claimed that the office was indeed making a serious effort to ensure the availability of appropriate ballot pamphlets for non-English speakers.

"We've worked very closely with the people in SF on this; and we feel we have been able to target people with the right ballot pamphlets," she maintained.

Though she conceded that there was no indication on the English pamphlets that non-English pamphlets were available, she explained that there did not seem to be any regulation requiring such an indication. "We haven't had any problems with anyone over at the Justice Dept. about this," she observed.

RELY

Seiler explained that when people register to vote, they indicate on the registration form whether they want Chinese, Spanish or English language voters materials.

"When we get the voter registration tapes, depending on whether they have an 'S' or 'C' code, we send them Spanish or Chinese pamphlets. We actually send them the English pamphlet as well since, as I understand it, many people rely on both.

"We've done it like this for years in other counties, particularly in LA with a Spanish-speaking population and it seems to have worked very well. I haven't had any complaints, and this (letter) is the first indication that there is a problem," she said.

Der, in his letter, anticipated Seiler's contention that adequate measures were taken at the time of registration to ensure non-English speaking voters get appropriate pamphlets.

FOCUS

"As you are aware, not all non-English speaking voters always check the appropriate language preference box on the voter registration form...

"Further, many non-English speakers need assistance to fill out the registration forms and oftentimes the deputy registrar of voters who may offer assistance may not focus attention on the language request box," Der wrote.

Der also found fault with the state's lack of postage-paid return postcards attached to the English pamphlets, with which voters could indicate their need for Chinese or Spanish materials.

He charged that this violated the amended provisions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act which establishes the right of equal access to election materials for non-English speakers.

"BACK-PEDDLING"

Der cited shock and disappointment at what he termed Eu's "back-peddling on (the) responsibility to treat Chinese and Spanish speaking voters in California as equal participants in the electoral process."

Responding to Der's criticisms about the lack of pre-paid post cards, Seiler explained why such cards were not included.

"We used to have them when we were just sending the English pamphlets to everyone, she recounted, but it was very expensive and created a lot of discontent among the English-speaking population.

"People would use the cards to write in all sorts of racist hate mail, objecting to the expenditure of public money for the pamphlets. That was the reason we use the present procedure," explained the elections chief. □

Oakland Chinese History Committee Slates Book Party

OAKLAND — The Oakland Chinese History Research Committee will celebrate the release of its book on the history of Oakland's Chinatown with a book party. The event will be held Dec. 11, from 1 to 4 pm, at the Asian Branch Library, Ninth and Broadway, Oakland. □

Deukmejian Names 9 Asians to Transition Team

SACRAMENTO — Governor-elect George Deukmejian has recently established a Transition Advisory Committee consisting of 277 leading California citizens to oversee the transition of the governorship from Jerry Brown to Deukmeijian. The committee will recommend persons for appointive positions and also make policy recommendations to the new governor.

East/West has learned that the committee contains nine Asian Americans: five Chinese Americans, three Japanese Americans and one Filipino.

The five Chinese Americans are: Benny Yee, former president of the SF Chinese American Republican Club; Dr. T. Kong Lee, chair of the board of the Chinese American Republican Assoc.; Dr. John B. Tsu, president of the California Chinese American Republican Assoc.; Agnes Chan, former president of the California Chinese American Republican Assoc.; and Henry Yee, vice president of the West Coast Asian American Republican Assoc. (LA).

The three Japanese American Appointees are: Yoshio Fugiwara, member of the Fremont City Council; San Jose attorney S. Stephen Nakashima; and businessman George Oki of Sacramento. Ernie Sana, an executive with PG&E is the Filipino committee member.

Miranda Lam, nutritionist; Maylian Lee, supervising public health nurse; Chuk Kwan, M.D.; Catherine Wong, nutritionist (l. to r.) (Photo by Carol Chan).

Health Center Finishes Diet And Hypertension Slide Show

SAN FRANCISCO — A Chinatown community clinic last week celebrated the completion of a five-month project to produce the first bilingual and bicultural slide/tape presentation on the relationship between food habits and control of hypertension.

Produced on a budget of only $3,999, Health Center #4's "Dietary Management of Hypertension: Chinese Style" discusses the problems of persistent high blood pressure and the role played by Chinese foods, seasonings and eating habits.

NON-DRUG

"This is not just a slide show in Chinese," asserted Catherine Wong, public health nutritionist and one of the project coordinators. "(Before this) there were no slide shows aimed specifically at the Chinese population."

In the United States, the detected incidence of hypertension is about three million persons a year. In California, one out of every five Asians have high blood pressure, noted Wong and co-coordinator Miranda Lam.

They also pointed out that low sodium intake, maintaining an ideal body weight and exercise are the major non-drug approaches to lowering hypertension among the Asian American community.

"This is a good product that's useful for the community — not just San Francisco, but also throughout California," declared Virginia Jang, public health consultant for the hypertension control program of the Department of Health Services.

ADAPT

"We're going to adpt the script for the Japanese community with the help of the Los Angeles Heart Association. The Japanese and Korean communities have tripled in size in LA County," observed Jang. "There's a need for educational materials for those communities."

As part of the celebration and preview of the project, the two co-coordinators presented certificates of appreciation to several of the volunteers who helped with the project. Recipients included Po Wong, director of Chinese Newcomers Service Center; Fanny Chu, Newcomer staff member who provided the voice of the speaker; Dr. Chuck Kwan, a local cardiologist who consulted on the project.

Other recipients also included Robert Tarr, director of the Multi-Media Center at UC Berkeley; Chinese Outreach; Stephen Wong who provided the Technical expertise; and Jang, who helped obtain funding and also consulted on the project.

Funding for the program came from the Hypertension Control Program and the Asian Pacific Islander Task Force for High Blood Pressure Education and Control. Available at cost for $100 from Health Center #4, the whole set included 78 slides, a Cantonese and an English soundtrack, and two written scripts.

The audience members seemed impressed with the finished product and several asked how they could obtain the show. Because of the many patients he sees who have problems with high blood pressure, Dr. Kwan eagerly told *East/West*, "I'm considering getting one for my office!" □

Radio Beijing Notes New Schedule

SAN FRANCISCO — Radio Beijing, which broadcasts news, music and language lessons daily to North America, is on the following schedule as of Oct. 31: 7-8 pm, programs in English and Cantonese (11980, 15600 kHz);; 8-9 pm, programs in English and Mandarin (11980, 15520, 15600 kHz). For information call George Poppin in SF at 564-9968. □

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Notice is hereby given that the Public Utilities Commission of the City and County of San Francisco will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, December 14, 1982, at 2:00pm, in Room 282, City Hall, San Francisco, California, to consider modifications to the Schedule of Rates, Fares and Charges of the San Francisco Municipal Railway.
All interested members of the public are invited to attend the public hearing and present their views.
By order of the Public Utilities Commission.
Romaine A. Boldridge
Secretary

Asian Advocates Discuss Vital Community Issues

SAN FRANCISCO – About 20 people, most of them board members of a statewide Asian/Pacific American activists group, listened last Saturday to several presentations about crucial issues facing the community.

"It's important to get this information out to the board members who can then bring it back to their own (regional) members," explained Morris Artiaga, executive director of the Asian Pacific American Advocates of California.

IMPACT

Among the presenters was Annie Chung, director of Self-Help for the Elderly and a member of the 15-person statewide block grant task force. That group has been charged with the responsibility of developing a recommendation by which to distribute the federal monies which will come to California in the next few years.

"The impact of the (new approach in) funding has not yet been felt in the community because this last year has been one of transition," observed Chung.

"The task force right now is made up of very community-mined people. The majority of us are advocates of community-based organizations," she pointed out. "If we had been dominated by county or state government people, there would be less chance that CBO's would have a crack at the money."

Herself an appointee of Senator Roberti, Chung expressed her fear to *East/West* that when governor-elect Deukmeijian takes office in January that composition may change. She explained that each of the 15 members serves at the pleasure of the person who appointed him or her. Thus the new governor can appoint his own people to fill the slates now held by current Governor Brown's appointees.

TESTIMONY

In conclusion, she urged the advocacy group to make sure that testimony from the Asian/Pacific community is submitted to either her or the task force as soon as possible. It's important that the needs of Asians be heard. People have to come and back me up."

The block grant task plans to meet about eight more times in December and January.

Also speaking at that morning meeting was Henry Der, executive director of Chinese for Affirmative Action. He highlighted some of the salient points of a draft of a report written by his former staff person, Patti Fong.

The report, which focused on the status of Asian/Pacific employment in state government, contained several tentative conclusions. First, because of the deep-seated discrimination and other barriers in the private sector, many Asians seek employment with the government, including at the state level.

PARITY

Fong also found that the Employment Development Department still uses 1970 ethnic ratios to determine parity figures for employment of minorities and women.

She pointed out that these old statistics, even though updated with projections, resulted in a too-low figure for Asians because that group has experienced a more than 233% rate of growth between 1970 and 1980.

The last conclusion reported by Der reflectes the problem of underemployment which faces Asian Pacific Americans. Pointing to the make-up of the staff of such offices as the governor's, Der charged, "It's not just the numbers, but also the quality of how Asians are perceived . . . "

"There are no top level Asian Americans that hold substantial, meaningful policy-making decisions on that staff."

DILIGENCE

He found the figures for the Secretary of State's office most disturbing, however. Of the thirteen administrative-level positions in that office, none are Asians.

"The lack of diligence in intergrating her (Secretary of State March Fong Eus) office in policy and decision-making ranks with Asian Pacific Americans affects how her office implements such things as the feredal bilingual voting requirements."

Artiaga told *East/West,* "I hope by building up the communications network, we can get more people interested in issues." □

China Sets Moderate Goals for Growth

BEIJING — China unveiled a sixth five-year plan last week, setting moderate goals for economic gorwth while making substantial investment in problem areas such as energy and transportation.

In a report to the National People's Congress, Premier Zhao Ziyang said the 1981-85 plan sets an annual 4% average annual growth target for industrial and agricultural production. But he urged the Chinese to strive for 5% annual growth.

DELAYED

The plan was delayed two years due to China's "readjustment" drive, begun in 1980, which involved retrenchment in most areas of the economy.

Zhao said the country will continue to emphasize higher productivity, increased profitability and "real growth" rather than simply large increases in output.

The government plans to increase capital spending, he said, investing $182.7 billion in new projects and plant modernization over the five years — with 39% of that going to energy and transportation.

China also plans to make more use of foreign funds to spur development, Zhao said.

He rejected calls for a return to the 11% annual growth in industrial output which China maintained through 1980, saying the country cannot continue to go so fast.

DEFICIT

The proposed 4 or 5% rate would raise the gross value of China's yearly agricultural and industrial output to about $442 billion by 1985.

The National People's Congress also heard from Finance Minister Wang Bingqian, who said China's state budget will run a deficit of about $1.5 billion next year, some 11 percent more than the deficit this year.

The five-year plan described by Premier Zhao incorporates a total budget deficit of $7.3 billion over the five years. Zhao said efforts will be made to keep the deficit below $1.5 billion for the remaining years of the plan.

The Chinese government has faced a shortfall of revenue since 1979, but Finance Minister Wang predicted that an upturn would begin next year.

However, he added that "the growth of revenues still cannot keep pace with the needs of economic and social development." □

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Newcomers Center Announces '83 Radiothon Fundraiser

SAN FRANCISCO — Chinese Newcomers Service Center announced the start of its publicity campaign for the upcoming second annual Radiothon fundraising effort which begins January 11.

Gloria Tai, board president, explained that this year's goal of $40,000 will be used to augment the agency's general operating budget.

RAISE

"We were not directly cut $40,000, but with the influx of Chinese immigrants and refugees from China and Southeast Asia, we're getting a lot of new clients.

"Our operating budget stays the same, so we can't meet the needs of our (new) clients," she observed. "If we want to even just maintain our current level of services, we need to raise more money."

The agency provides new arrivals with help in making the transition to life in the United States. Services include information and referral, counseling, translation and interpretation.

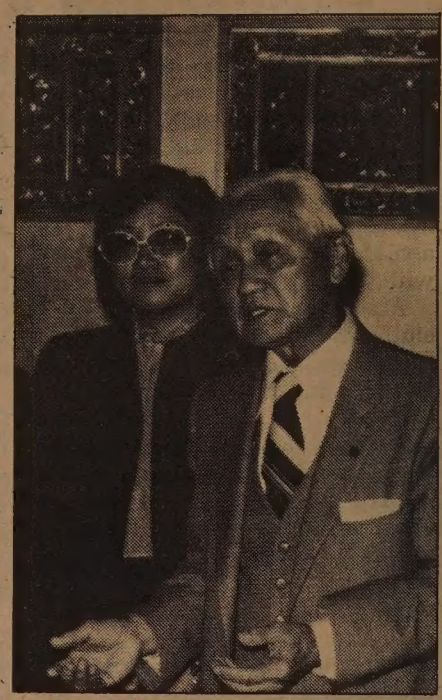
Fundraiser chairperson John Yehall Chin told the press last Thursday that the community will once again respond to the needs of its own people. Last year's drive resulted in $118,000.

GOOD FEELING

Concurring with Chin, Tai elaborated. "We'll have (help from) clients, community centers, banks and family associations. Most of the money comes from the community and businesses."

She recounted that for the 1982 effort, one former client, who pledged $500, worked many nights as a janitor just to save enough money to make the donation.

"It gives us a good feeling," Tai commented. "Last year we got a lot of small donations, including one from a sewing factory. Two, or ten dollars — to a lot of people that is not too much, but all the donations count, even the small ones. It's *why* they're doing it that counts," she declared.



Gloria Tai and John Yehall Chin (Photo by Connie Hui)

With the help of Philip Chan and the staff of Sinocast TV and radio, Newcomers will publicly thank those who make donations by reading off their names during the all-day show in January. The readings will be interspersed with talks by dignitaries and live singing.

Though the drive does not officially begin until January, the agency has begun accepting advance pledges. As of last week, Gateway Savings and Loan had already contributed $500 to the effort. Call 421-0943 for information. □

Pacific Island to Vote on US Ties

PALAU — The Pacific island chain of Palau, near Guam, will hold a plebiscite Jan. 11 to decide whether to accept a "compact of free association" with the US. The compact would give the islanders control of domestic and foreign affairs but leave the US responsible for national defense. □

NYC Approves Plan to Build Jail Near C'town

NEW YORK – Despite vehement community opposition, the NY City Board of Estimates approved plans to construct a new 500-cell jail on the outskirts of NY's Chinatown.

The proposal was approved by a vote of 7 to 4, at a meeting filled with Chinatown community members opposed to the jail. "We'll remember next November," chanted the crowd after the proposal was approved.

Many of those at the meeting testified against the facility, citing its adverse impact on the Chinatown area. Even schoolchildren turned out to oppose the project, including 11 year old Sylvia Tong, who read a letter to Mayor Koch and the other Board members.

"Dear Mayor Koch, she read, "My classmates and I do not think that another jail should be built so close to our playground." The new jail is to be built adjacent to the Tombs jail facility and community residence felt that one jail in the area was enough.

At the hearing, Robert M. Morgenthau, the Manhattan District Attorney argued that there was "no alternative" to the Chinatown site and the board apparently agreed. The $71 million jail is expected to be completed by the end of 1985. □

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City and County of San Francisco has applied to the U.S. Department of Labor for an additional $3,941,127 in Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) funds for the federal fiscal year ending 09-30-83. This supplemental grant will be used primarily to augment the budgets of those existing agencies funded under the original grant. The proposed increases are outlined in a modification submitted to the U.S. Department of Labor.
If you are interested in reviewing a copy of the modification document, you are invited to do so Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, at the Mayor's Office of Employment and Training, 1748 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94102. Comments should be addressed to that office and to the Grant Officer, U.S. Department of Labor, 450 Golden Gate Avenue 9th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94102 prior to December 31, 1982.

Oakland Agency Teaches English to Immigrants

By TIM FUKAI

OAKLAND — Two of the most pressing problems that newcomers to America often face are a language barrier and unemployment. The Asian American English Club of Oakland, formed over a year ago, helps immigrants deal with these two obstacles.

According to Ming Kwong, the club's founder and chief instructor for English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, the club first originated as a special summer session of an adult ESL course.

FORGET

"The class that I was teaching ended in June of 1981, and there was no summer school," reflected Kwong. "Some of the students approached me and asked if I would teach them through the summer because they were afraid that they would forget everything they had learned and be forced to start all over again in the fall."

Kwong agreed to their request, and the Asian American English Studies Club was born. The group immediately began holding classes in the Park Blvd. Presbyterian Church in Oakland.

Kwong teaches ESL by the audiolingual method, also known as the direct method, which, unlike conventional language instruction, involves no books or translation. The classes are taught entirely in English, and conversation is heavily emphasized.

Many of his students who had failed to learn English through conventional methods are progressing rapidly with the audiolingual method, he boasted. The majority of Kwong's students are immigrants and refugees from Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos, with a few students from China.

SELF-HELP

However, Kwong's intentions in those early days were to do more than just teach English.

"At first, I thought I'd teach just like a regular school," Kwong explained. "But then I decided that that wasn't good enough. My idea was to have some sort of a self- help community organization that could deal with some of the problems that the students were facing, such as unemployment.

"I found that most of the students had learned English as a means to an end, rather than an end in itself," Kwong states. "They learned English to secure a better life — to secure financial stability.

"I also found that most of them were either working for below-minimum wages or were on welfare," he added. "There are laws against below-minimum wages, but people were just afraid to do anything about it. So, I began wondering if I could help them besides teaching them English."

DEFINED

Kwong asked each person in the club to contribute, along with himself, $10 a month with the idea that the money would be used for the good of them all and for the larger community as well.

"At that point," Kwong said, "the purpose of what we wanted to do with the money was not very clear." At around May of this year, however, the purpose of the money as well as the club became more defined.

"I was telling a friend about what we were trying to do," recalled Kwong, "and he suggested that we start a janitorial service. He pointed out to me that the initial investment was not great and that the skills were not that hard to learn."

Hence, Kwong returned to the group with the idea, and they borrowed from some of the money that they had accumulated and started ASEC Janitorial.

DEEPER

ASEC Janitorial is comprised of Ming Kwong and six of his 15 students. They provide janitorial services on a part-time basis to a number of Bay Area merchants and businesses. However, according to Kwong, the significance of ASEC Janitorial is much deeper than one might think.

"The idea behind the business is not only to give people jobs," explains Kwong, "but to give them a sense of their own self-worth. There are a lot of programs that find people jobs. The difference is that the people don't have any say once they get the job. In our situation, they become part-owners."

"It's a collective co-op arrangement," he states. "The idea is to give them power and a sense of what they can do. I could go out and find them jobs, but there is a difference."

Kwong emphasized that this concern for "empowerment" that the club has is what distinguishes the organization from most other social service agencies.

OPTIMISTIC

Ming Kwong was born in Shanghai and has lived in the United States for ten years. He spent his senior year at Washington High School in San Francisco, received his Bachelor's degree in English from U.C. Berkeley, and then his teaching credentials from San Francisco State University and the University of San Francisco in 1978.

Aside from teaching four nights a week for the Asian American English Studies Club, on a voluntary basis, Kwong also teaches ESL for the Oakland Adult School.

He states that he is optimistic about the future of ASEC as long as the janitorial service keeps growing and as long as there are people who are willing to help out with the teaching.

LOOKING

He emphasized that ASEC is continually looking for more volunteer teachers for the ESL classes, new students, and also more jobs and projects for the janitorial service.

When asked why he devoted so much of his life to helping his students, Kwong told *East/West*, "Teaching English is just not enough anymore. There is no sense of belonging, no sense of anything for new refugees and immigrants. It's such a strange new country for them, and they need to have something."

"I'm interested in people taking control of their lives," Kwong concluded, "and having some say over the things that effect their lives. And I am also interested in seeing people not being afraid and being able to stand up for their rights."

For information contact Kwong at P.O. Box 11515, Oakland, Ca. 94611, or call 652-0414. □

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St. Mary's Youths rehearse for show. (Photo by Russell Yip.)

SAN FRANCISCO — "Santa's Workshop", a collection of three one-act Christmas plays, will be presented by the children of the St. Mary's Youth Project, Spectra, on Thursday, Dec. 16 at 7 p.m.

The three one act plays: A Country Christmas, Toy Maker and Nativity; will make their San Francisco premier at St. Mary Auditorium, 902 Stockton Street, in Chinatown.

The program also includes performances by the Chinese Folk Dancers from St. Mary's Chinese Language School, Christmas caroling by children at St. Mary's Chinese Day School and a visit by Santa himself. For information, call Bill Stogden at 362-0107. □

Stanford Scholar Urges Japan to Expand Foreign Aid

STANFORD — In a new book on Japan's economy, a Stanford University scholar recommends that Japan expand nonmilitary foreign aid and work to encourage free trade.

Daniel Okimoto, an assistant professor of political science, details his views in *Japan's Economy: Coping with Change in the International Environment*, published by Westview Press.

Okimoto notes that Japan's defense expenditures have risen at an average rate of seven percent annually for the last 15 years, but says the economy is able to sustain larger defense outlays without suffering economic setbacks.

He suggests Japan set up international cooperation in research and development, saying this would boost the capacity of the US and Japan together to strengthen their technological lead over the Soviet Union.

In ecouraging free trade, he says, Japan must take practical measures to avoid disrupting the other countries' domestic markets. □

Chinese Hospital Thanks Agnos For His Help

SAN FRANCISCO — Thanks to the intervention of Assemblyman Art Agnos (D-SF), Chinese Hospital will be reimbursed by the state for $150,000 in unpaid Medi-Cal bills . The bills had accumulated over a two year period. Payment of the claims was being held up by Computer Sciences Corp. of Sacramento, which is paid by the state to process and pay Medi-Cal claims.

Chinese Hospital's attempts to receive payment had been mired in red tape and paperwork, but Agnos wrote letters to CSC and set up a meeting between CSC and hospitals administrators in an attempt to resolve the matter. After reviewing approximately 30 unpaid claims, CSC agreed to process and pay the claims within two months. □

Asian Christmas Gift Ideas on *Asians Now!*

OAKLAND — "Asians Now!" features a special holiday presentation on Asian Christmas gift ideas on its Dec. 11 program. Asian artists and booksellers show the latest books by Asian American authors, kimonos, futons, handmade Filipino lanterns and other handcrafts.

Members of the Asian American Theater Company's new improvisational group will also be on hand to tell jokes, poke fun and entertain on Dec. 18.

"Asians Now!" airs every Saturday morning at 9 am on KTVU-Channel 2. □

Ching Nin Clinic Changes Name, Expands Hours

SAN FRANCISCO — The Ching Nin Clinic, soon to be known as the Asian Women's Health Center, has recently expanded its clinic hours. The new hours areTues., from 12 to 4:30 pm; Wed., from 1 to 4 pm; Thurs., 2 to 6 pm; and Sat., 9 am to 2 pm.

The clinic provides low-cost women's health care and family planning services. The staff offers bilingual assistance in Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, Toisanese, Thai, Lao and French.

The clinic is located at 511 Columbus (between Green and Union), SF.

Call 362-5728, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:30 pm to make appointments. □

Ed Low's Suit Against State Still Undecided

By DAVID STRANAHAN

LOS ANGELES — The status of Edward Low's discrimination case against the Southern District office of the State Department of Water Resources is still up in the air after more than a year and a half of legal actions by his attorneys and investigations by various state agencies.

Low, an associate engineer with the department, alleges that he has been denied promotion to the rank of senior engineer because he is foreign born, and English is his second language.

WASTING

He also charges that the department did not give him the credit he deserved for projects he directed. Low claims further that this discrimination not only applies to himself, but to all Asian Americans, and especially those born in Asia.

"The state is not even conscious of the fact it discriminates against people who are foreign born, wasting valuable human resources.," Low declared.

Currently, Low and his attorney Ronald Marks are awaiting a decision from the State Personnel Board. In October, the attorneys also filed a suit in federal court under the Civil Rights Act of 1964, in the event of an adverse decision by the board, stated Marks.

The case is difficult because the alleged pattern of discrimination is not clear-cut. According to department records for 1981, Asians made up 10% of the engineers at the senior level. The figures also show that Asians had a 12.5% representation at the highest rank of principal engineer.

However, the number of foreign-born Asians in the department is unavailable through the records because no distinction is made for place of birth in employment records.

IRRELEVANT

Low first initiated the case in June 1981 after he was denied promotion to senior engineer. Although he has the qualifications to be eligible for promotion, Low has been denied because of scores he received in competitive examinations for the advancement.

Claiming that the department's examination process for promotions is irrelevant in determining technical expertise, Low charged that it puts foreign-born engineers at an unfair disadvantage. They are oral exams which focus on communications skills.

Martha Tate Reid, Former Chief of the Equal Employment Opportunity Office, investigated Low's complaint for the DWR in August 1981. She does not agree that Low was discriminated against because he is not a native English speaker.

"Mr. Low was denied promotion because of his communication skills, not because of his language skills," Reid explained.

RAMBLE

In her investigation report, Reid wrote, "I discovered that the comments regarding Mr. Low's communication skills were in reference to his ability to present himself orally in a clear, logical and concise manner."

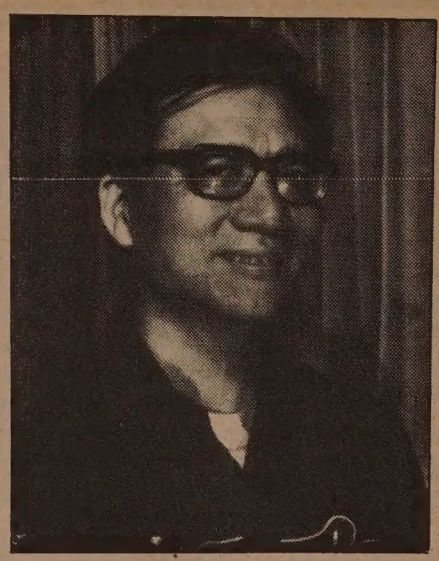
She agrees that Low has a good command of English, but that others have commented that he has a tendency to ramble in presentations and to express ideas in an unorganized manner.

However, Low and his attorneys question this assessment by the department because his current job requires him to speak with the public at least 50% of the time.

If his communication skills are not good, Low asks, why does the agency have him in a job where so much of his time is spent speaking with the public?

PASSED OVER

Another issue brought up by Low is that credit for a project he directed was given to two other engineers who were only partially involved in the project. Low claims that Asians in the department are often passed over when credit is given for work done in the department.



Low

The Dept. of Water Resources has made no comment on this issue other than to say that Low's work has been in no way questioned as being inferior.

Low's case is not the first discrimination case filed against that agency. Robert Chun, who is now second-in-command at the Southern District office, filed a discrimination case against the department to be promoted.

Chun, who represented the department in Low's appeal review before the Personnel Board, in August 1982, denies that his case is related in any way to Low's current complaint. He declined to comment on the details of his discrimination suit.

ORAL

A report by the Equal Employment office stated that all of Low's past and present supervisors have spoken favorably about his technical ability. It concluded there was no indication that he has had problems with English because it is his second language.

Low, however, maintains that the department's examination process discriminates because of its focus on communication, giving the native-born English speakers a decided advantage because it is impossible for foreign-born speakers to compete with their fluency.

Low's attorney, Ronald Marks, said if their appeal to the board is denied, they will proceed with their suit in federal court. If they succeed the Dept. of Water Resources will have to promote Low to a senior engineer position.

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Folk Art Int'l Hosts Film Series On Folk Art

SAN FRANCISCO — Folk Art International is offering a series of films and lectures by folk art specialists in addition to their annual exhibit-sale of folk art at Fort Mason Conference Center.

The series includes: "Art in the Chinese Villages," Thurs. Dec. 9, 7 pm; "Ikat Weaving: Indonesia, Japanese and American," Sat., Dec. 11, at 7 pm; "Shadow Master," a film on Indonesian puppet theater, Sun., Dec., 12, at 2 pm; "Hidden Treasures of Tibet, 1982," Tues., Dec. 14, at 7 pm.

Admission to each of the lecture-films is $3. Tickets are available at the Fort Mason Conferernce Center, Bldg. A. Admission to the folk art exhibit-sale is free. For information, call 673-4094. □

Reagan Proposes 1983 Refugee Admissions Goal

WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration has recommended the admission of 98,000 refugees, including 68,000 from East Asia, during fiscal 1983.

These proposed numbers continue a downward trend for refugee admissions in recent years. Some 215,000 refugees arrived in the US in fiscal 1980 and 158,000 in fiscal 1981. Admissions in fiscal 1982 are expected to total only 98,500.

Admissions in fiscal 1983 would include about 17,000 Indochinese refugees already approved for admission, but still waiting in refugee processing centers in Southeast Asia.

The US State Department also has said it would accept greater numbers of Indochinese as regular immigrants through the Orderly Departure Program. About one-fourth to one-third of the Indochinese admitted to the US in 1982 came on immigration visas, not as refugees.

In addition, children of American fathers and Vietnamese mothers will be admitted under new legislation providing for Amerasian children.

Novato Scouts Share Christmas With Refugees

NOVATO — A group of Novato Girl Scouts will be sharing an early Christmas with hundreds of Southeast Asian refugees at the Refugee Center, Hamilton Air Force Base, on Mon., Dec. 13 and Sat., Dec. 18 between 6:30 and 7:30 pm.

About 30 of the scouts will sing carols, decorate a Christmas tree and serve cookies and fruit punch to Cambodian, Laotian and Vietnamese families.

"We want to share our culture and holiday spirit with these people," said Ann Ludin, a girl Scout volunteer and Air Force employee. She emphasized the importance of understanding people from different cultures, noting "after all, scouting is a worldwide effort."

China Objects to Dalai Lama's Political Acts

BEIJING — The Chinese government objects to the Dalai Lama conducting political activities in exile, according to a recent report in the weekly *Beijing Review*.

The report appeared soon after the Dalai Lama concluded an 11-week European tour, which included meetings with politicians.

The *Beijing Review* rejected a proposal by the Dalai Lama, the Tibetan Buddhist spiritual leader now living in India, to give Tibet the same status as it would Taiwan after "reunification."

Beijing has said it would allow Taipei authorities to participate in the central government. The report said this solution is not applicable to Tibet, which has been an autonomous region under the People's Republic of China for 30 years.

In a statement issued in New Delhi, the Dalai Lama said he expected Beijing authorities "will sooner or later realistically recognize the reasonable desires and aspirations of the Tibetan people." □

'Meet the Artists' Reception Held In SF Dec. 9

SAN FRANCISCO — A reception to "Meet the Artists" will be held Thursday, Dec. 9, from 7-10 pm at the Tigress 50 store. Silk screen artists Gail Aratani, Jim Dong, Leland Wong and Chester Yoshida will be present.

Other artists include painter Mark Kadota, postcard designer Jack Loo, paper doll creator Yuri Nakamura, and collage artists Sayoko Edge. The store is located at 2118 Hayes (at Cole). Call 752-8156 for information. □

E. Bay Accepting Steamfitter Job Applications

SAN FRANCISCO — The Alameda and Contra Costa Steam Fitters Apprenticeship and Training Committee will be accepting applications to their program now until Fri., Dec. 17.

An apprentice steamfitter assists qualified steamfitters in the measurement, layout and installation of all types of pipes used in oil refineries, power plants, and steam fitters is $13.83 per hour.

Eligibles must be at least 18 years old. have a high school diploma or GED equivalent; and must pass a written test covering math, mechanical reasoning and spatial relationships. Tutoring is available and women are encouraged to apply.

For information on where to apply, contact Chinese For Affirmative Action, 121 Waverly, SF, Ca., 94108, or call 398-8212.

Apt. Complex Must Repay $80 To 650 Tenants

SAN FRANCISCO — The Golden Gateway Center, a residential complex in San Francisco, has agreed to refund $80 to each of 650 past and present tenants who were assessed non-refundable "lease preparation" fees before moving into their apartments.

The settlement, nogotiated by the Consumer Fraud Division of the San Francisco District Attorney's office, will give each tenant an extra $5 above the original $75 fee.

People who moved into Golden Gateway from early 1978 on should call 553-1821 to inquire about the fee refunds. □

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New Asian Women Tapes, Books Focus on Issues

June Kuramoto, co-founder and performer in *Hiroshima*, a group of musicians in LA. (Photo by Shulee Ong)

By PHOEBE ENG

BERKELEY — A local group of of Asian women last Sunday hosted a preview screening of their newly-completed videotape and book project, "With Silk Wings."

The four videotapes, a book, and a booklet series, represent the first of their kind, focusing extensively on the issues and problems which face the modern day Asian American woman.

DIVERSE

"We want to show people that Asian American women aren't all the same. We are as diverse and as complex as any race," explains project director Elaine Kim. "These videos and books may make a statement contrary to the myths of Suzie Wong and the dragon lady."

"By showing Asian American women in professional and non-traditional jobs, we provide role models that usually have not been provided to young Asian American women," remarked Kathy Fukasawa, assistant producer of the videotapes.

"These women prove that we don't always have to sacrifice a family to realize our career goals." Fukasawa continued, "In doing these films, we also wanted to show employers, teachers and parents that Asian American females do encounter a very unique set of social and cultural problems.

Four thirty-minute, broadcast-quality videotapes were shown to an audience of about two hundred in Dwinelle Hall at the UC Berkeley campus.

COMBINE

The first, entitled "Four Women," is a group of vignettes featuring a Chinese American union organizer, a Filipino American physician, a Japanese American architect, and a Korean American social worker. "Four Women" concentrates on the ways in which these women combine career goals with personal and family life.

The second videotape, "On New Ground," profiles ten Asian American women in non-traditional jobs and activities. Such occupations include welder, judge, police officer, and park ranger. "On New Ground" also includes an interview with television anchorwoman Wendy Tokuda.

"Frankly Speaking" is the third videotape described by assistant Kathy Fukasawa as "the most controversial of the four films."

In "Frankly Speaking," Asian American students discuss their family, school, personal, and career concerns. Skits by the Asian American Theater Company of San Francisco serve as an interesting focal point.

The last videotape, "Past and Present," is an overview of employment issues facing Asian American women in the past, as well as today. Highlighted are women whose jobs require public contact and communication skills. It has yet to be completed.

NON-TRADITIONAL

Also as part of the AWU project is a 150-page book *With Silk Wings* by Elaine H. Kim with Janice Otani. The book, divided into three sections, is designed to be used in conjunction with the four videotapes.

The first section describes the life experiences of twelve Asian American women across the country. The second provides accounts of forty women in non-traditional jobs, and the third section is a historical essay of Asian American women and employment issues.

A booklet series entitled *Dear Diane* is the final product of the AWU project. In a question-answer format, Diane Yen-Mei Wong clarifies the problems of Asian American women in their various roles in school, family and community. The author also provides possible explanations and solutions to these problems.

Asian Women United has also published bilingual versions of the "Dear Diane" booklets in Korean/English and Chinese/English so that mothers and daughters may read together.

CONFRONT

Background information for the project was provided by Asian Inc which conducted a broad survey of roughly seven hundred Bay Area Asian American women from junior high school to college level.

The questionnaire assesssed the aspirations and conflicts of these women who must often confront the cultural disparities between traditional parents and contemporary American society.

The results of this survey proved enlightening to the project's staff. "These women were not as confused as expected. Their Asian awareness was very high," said Fukasawa.

"Their most common problems centered on communication in parent/daughter, particularly mother/daughter relationships."

LOWER

The results also confirmed the expected prevalent underemployment of Asian American women. Although highly educated as a group, Asian American women consistently receive lower positions and salaries than their white, black, and female counterparts. AWU incorporated this information in creating the books and four videotapes.

"With Silk Wings" drew from a rich resource of talent within the Asian American Community. Loni Ding, producer of the four videotapes, previously produced the award-winning series, "Bean Sprouts" which was aired nationally on public television.

Michael Chin, who did the camerawork on the videotapes, was also the cinematographer for the highly acclaimed movie, "Chan Is Missing," a Wayne Wang production.

Elaine Kim, a UC Berkeley professor of Asian American Studies has also recently authored "Asian American Literature: An Introduction to the Writings and Their Social Content."

The original music to three of the four videotapes was composed by Gary Rmal, and Bay Area Video Coalition provided editing facilities.

RECEPTIVE

AWU hopes to find a receptive market for its films and books. The group has already contacted many school districts in San Francisco, Seattle, Los Angeles, and Fresno.

The San Francisco Study Center in charge of distribution is also preparing for a nationwide effort.

"There is little distribution problem on the two coasts because of their high Asian populations," Fukasawa said.

"What will be difficult is reaching the small towns in the Midwest. It's very important for such areas with few Asians to become aware of the realities which face us."

BRISK

At Sunday's open house screening, book sales were brisk, and feedback on the videotapes was optimistic.

Lori Bannai, a lawyer, spoke enthusiastically. "The films gave me a reinforcing feeling to know that other women are facing the same struggles as I am." With copies of *Dear Diane* and *With Silk Wings* in hand, her friends agreed.

Beth Rosales, a member of the AWU board of directors, felt that the whole project "reflected well the concerns of Asian Women United."

A second screening and book party for "With Silk Wings" is scheduled for some time in February, in San Francisco, according to Ding.

For information, contact San Francisco Study Center, AWU, P.O. Box 5646, SF, 94101 or 848-2362. □

Daisy Foo, a welder in the shipyards of SF and Alameda. (Photo by Shulee Ong)

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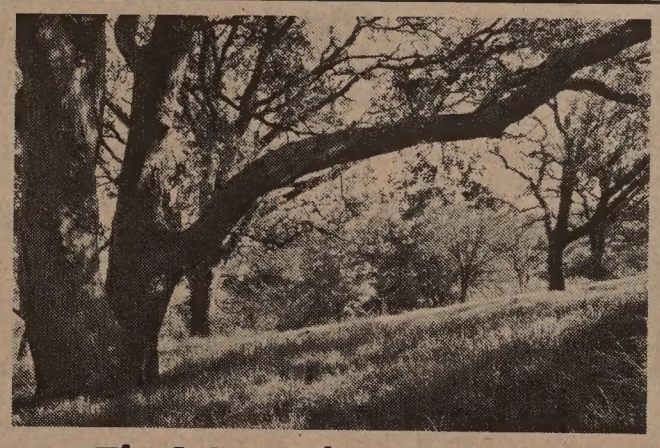

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Asian American Theater Improv Mixed But Fresh

The Asian American Theater Co.: (l. to r.) top: Blaine Palmer, Ron Muriera, John Nishio; middle: Amy Hill, Emilya Cachapero, Anna Duhay; bottom: Keith Choy, June Mesina, Dennis Dun. (Photo by Bob Hsiang)

By RICHARD SPRINGER

Improvisational theater is a combination of prepared routines and unrehearsed skits based upon suggestions from the audience. Three areas have to be covered for such a show to be great: the prepared skits have to be sharp and energizing; the performers have to be quick, witty and have an assortment of characters in their repertoire; and the audience has to be alert and well-armed with outrageous ideas.

Last Friday night's performance of *Not My Fault*, the improvisational review of the Asian American Theater Company, deserves mixed reviews on all three counts.

PUNCH

The prepared pieces were clever, but missing was the one sketch with the punch needed to knock the audience out into the aisle.

Though the troupe has some fabulous character actors, they are not yet sure enough of themselves to jump into painful silences or to rescue a fellow performer trapped out on a limb.

The weekend audience, including many young people from Cameron House, was quick on the pick-up and in a bubbly mood, but some of the suggestions, including this reviewer's were just not wild enough. There just hasn't been enough improvisation in the San Francisco theater scene lately and we're all a bit rusty.

But improvisation with an Asian focus is so rare and fresh, the troupe so enthusiastic and gifted, and the experience of participating in the show so much fun and stimulating, that taking in at least one performance of the show before it closes December 19 has to be on everyone's Christmas list.

PERFECTION

A standout among the performers is Amy Hill, who has her immigrant Japanese woman honed down to perfection. When she gets into a character and the humor is right, there's just no one funnier.

A Sony Walk-Man concert, with the performers shrieking out their off-the-wall and off-key audio is funny at first, but only Hill's combination of whine and song outlasts the sketch.

Dunnis Dun is a natural improvisational performer — quick with the one-liners, not afraid to jump in to help a fellow comic in trouble, reacting when someone changes the direction of the skit, and armed with a grab-bag of characters, like his Cantonese-language dirty old man.

In response to a suggestion from the audience, Emilya Cachapero came through with a devastatingly-funny Imelda Marcos. She has the "First Lady" right on the money and the character should be added somewhere into the prepared routines.

CHANCES

Keith Choy has a Richard-Pryor-like quality and is versatile enough to do a member of any of the Asian ethnic groups.

Ron Muriera was on target as a wimpy Chinatown tour guide, and alone among the troupe, he is willing to take big chances in extended monologues. When he hits, it is exciting theater; when he overextends himself, he needs the rescue squad.

Blaine Palmer, like Dun, is both quick with an ad-lib and a fine character actor. Anna Duhay, June Mesina and John Nishio seem more at home when they have a firm grip on their characters than when they are winging it, but they will get better once they have a few performances under their belt. Nishio needs to be more at ease when he asks for suggestions from the audience.

COURAGEOUS

One suggestion: limiting the group to only the first contribution from the audience is courageous, but unwise.

Why not take the best of the first two or three suggestions from the audience, or have the audience fill out cards before the show listing an absurd situation, emotion or book title? Having an inexperienced improviser flounder with a dull idea slows down the evening.

The director, veteran "Committee" alumnus Jim Cranna, has done a marvelous job structuring the evening with just the right balance of prepared and improvised material.

This is a show that will get better and better. *Not My Fault* runs Thursday through Sunday, until December 19, with showtimes Thursdays at 8 pm, Sundays at 7 pm and two shows Fridays and Saturdays, at 8 and 10 pm.

Tickets cost $5 per show and group rates are available. For information, call 752-8324. The theater is at 4344 California Street and by the last weekend of the run, the cast should be in fine form. □

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English Major Obstacle for Citizenship

NEW YORK — Inability to speak, read or write the English language is the most common ground for denial of US citizenship applications, according to an immigration official involved with citizenship matters since 1961.

"There are other grounds, such as lack of good moral character, but they don't occur nearly as frequently," said Marjorie Jackson. Jackson is assistant district director for citizenship at the New York district office of the US Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Every naturalization applicant is required to meet the English language requirements, with the exception of persons 50 or older who have been lawful permanent residents of the US for at least 20 years or persons who can prove a physical inability to speak or read the language. □

Asian Lawyers Honor Law Grads, Bar Admittees

SAN FRANCISCO — The Asian American Bar Assoc. will hold a general membership meeting on Thurs., Dec. 9, 6:30 pm at the Bok Sen Restaurant, 710 Webster, in Oakland. The meeting will be held to welcome 1982 law school graduates and recent bar admittees. Admission is free and hors d'oecres and a no-host bar will be featured. For information, call 781-8254. □

SE Asia Remains Suspicious of China's Intent

BANGKOK — Southeast Asian officials still harbor suspicions of China despite the Chinese government's reduction of support for revolutionaries in neighboring countries, according to Associated Press.

China has sought closer ties with non-communist Southeast Asian countries since the mid-1970s. Last year Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang promised that only "political and moral support" would be extended to communist parties in those countries, AP said.

But government officials in Southeast Asia say China will be regarded as a threat as long as it does not totally renounce support for rebels. "China has never abandoned her scheme to win hegemony over the region," Indonesia's intelligence chief is quoted as saying. □

Interest in Mao's Home Takes Sharp Plunge

SHAOSHAN, China — the boyhood home of Mao Tse-tung, which once drew visitors by the tens of thousands, now attracts only a few hundred tourists a day, the *New York Times* reported.

The drop in attendance at the mud-brick farmhouse in Hunan Province and the changes in the village — no more billboard quotations and slogans — represent the reassessment of Mao since his death six years ago, according to the paper.

"Local pride in Shaoshan's most famous son seems to have been eclipsed by the profit motive as local peasants peddle their surplus produce privately, hire neighbors to help with the fieldwork and display the kind of enterprise that was criticized under Mao as taking 'the capitalist road,'" the paper observed. □

Education Dept. Accepts Upward Bound Applications

WASHINGTON — The US Dept. of Education is accepting applications for next year's Upward Bound program through Dec. 23.

Upward Bound grants cover projects designed to help people succeed at higher education. About 175 will be awarded for fiscal 1983.

Applications may be obtained from the Division of Student Services, Information Systems and Program Support Branch, U.S. Dept. of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington DC 20202. □

Caesar's Palace Presents Chinese Opera Dec. 18–22

LAS VEGAS — Caesars Palace, famed for its American superstar presentations, will offer a totally different kind of act this month: the Chor Fung Ming Cantonese Opera.

The 45-member all-female troupe of singers, dancers, acrobats and actors will perform at the Circus Maximum Hotel Dec. 18-22. This is their only US appearance. □

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Honkytonk Man: Clint Coughs and Croons

PROGRAM NOTES

By MICHAEL LAM

When it comes to coughing, Garbo is certainly no match for Clint Eastwood. *Honkytonk Man,* Eastwood's Christmas gift to the world, makes *Camille* look like she is having a common cold in comparison.

It would be unfair to dismiss *Honkytonk Man* totally, since it does boast a couple of catchy tunes and one deeply touching sequence. However, most of its two hours and two minutes are a bore to sit through. And, even if one wanted to recommend it, it is hard to imagine to whom the film would appeal.

POTENTIAL

It is most frustrating because *Honkytonk Man* has the potential to be an interesting and entertaining movie.

The problem might be that Eastwood — who directed, produced and starred in the film — never had a chance to look at it from a healthy distance.

The incidents that make up the story have very different tones, and they do not flow into each other. Individual slices of comedy and tragedy do not emerge, and the characters are not sufficiently developed.

Eastwood keeps us from knowing the characters, yet he hopes that we can understand them.

The one good sequence takes place in a recording studio. At this point Eastwood is coughing to death, but his opportunist-producer lures him into cutting one song after another.

When he paused in the middle of a song, seemingly unable to finish it, a fellow musician takes over the mike and sings for him. The screen flourishes briefly with warmth. It is the darkest scene in the film, it it is also full of life and feeling.

TRITE

Honkytonk Man has many references to other movies. They are done casually, at times even absent-mindedly, so one is never sure if they are intentional.

As a director, Eastwood shows a strong preference for sentimentality, It works very well in *Bronco Billy,* but here, it just makes one uneasy. The ending is especially ridiculous: are we to expect *Son of the Honkytonk Man?* I, for one, am not holding my breath.

• What would happen if Jacqueline Susann rewrote *Rebel Without a Cause* and decided to stretch it into a 800-page epic? Very likely it would look like *Suzanne,* a trite and confused Canadian film directed by Robin Spry.

Based on the book *Snowlark* by Ronald Sutherland, who co-wrote the script with Spry, *Suzanne* tells the story of its two-dimensional heroine with the craftlessness of amateurs.

The focus is blurred, the pacing knows no rhythm; and the jumpy editing follows no logic. Worse yet, the camera exploits the body of the film's main character like a cunning voyeur.

Now the good news: the Vogue has scheduled the film for a mercifully short one-week run, after which, hopefully, it will vanish into thin air, never to return.

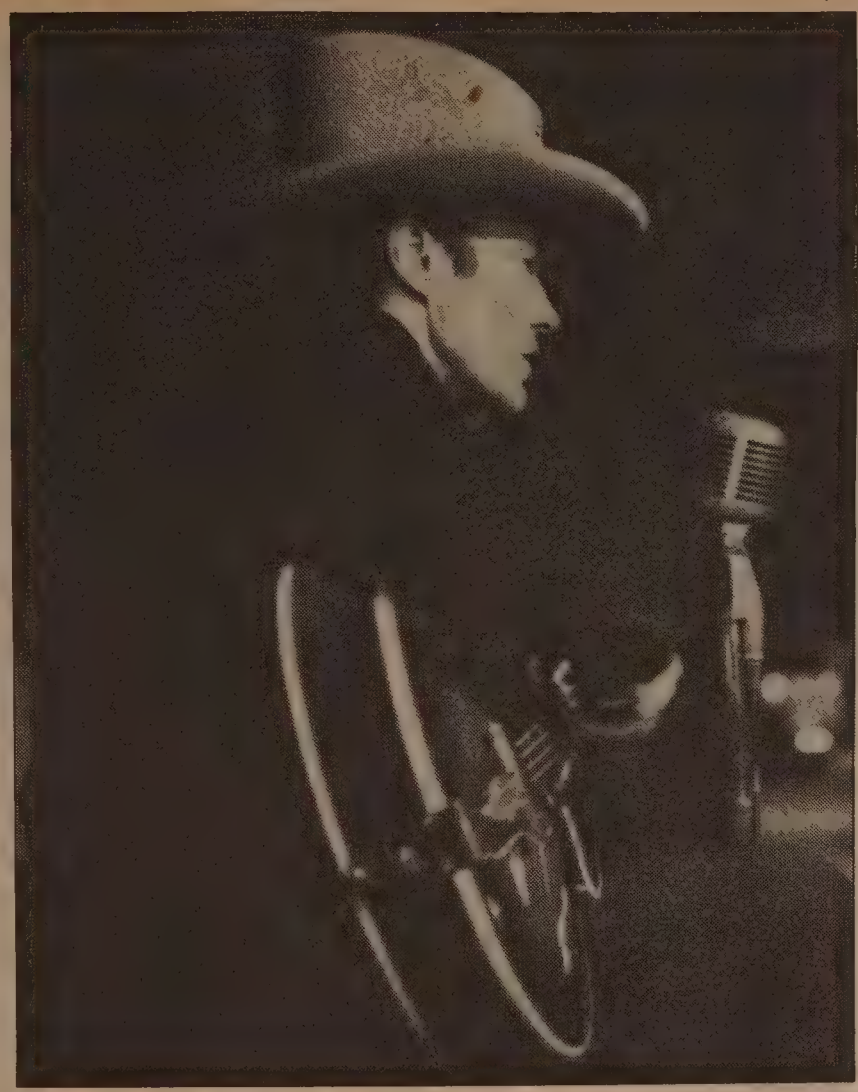
HUMOR

• The bittersweet story of a married man's love affair is told fluently in *Autumn Marathon,* a Russian film that could easily be mistaken as a light comedy from France. No, Leningrad does not resemble Paris, but shades of *Bed and Board* are detectable from time to time.

Except for a vodka-drinking episode, which is too long and a little out of place, the film moves at an agreeable pace. Both its sense of humor and sensitivity recall those of Truffaut's.

Autumn Marathon, to be shown on Dec. 9 at the U.C. Theatre in Berkeley, kicks off a series titled "From Russia With Love." This ambitious series takes place every Thursday, and it includes 11 premieres and revivals of classics such as Pudovkin's *Mother* (1/13) and both parts of Eisenstein's *Ivan the Terrible* (2/17).

Highlights of the series include: *Vassily and Vassilisa* (12/16), based on famous writer Veltnin Rasputin's novel; *26 Days in the Life of Dostoyevsky* (12/23), recounting the period in which Dostoyevsky wrote *The Gambler;* and *The Gambler* itself, to be shown with Nikita Mikhalkov's *An Unfinished Piece For Player Piano* (12/30); and *To the Stars by Hard Ways* (1/6), a spectacular science fiction.



Clint Eastwood in *Honkytonk Man.*

BURIED

• The U.C. Theatre is running another series, and it is titled "Buried Treasures." The first half of the title aptly describes the condition of the films on the program.

However, the second half does not necessarily describe their quality — some of them are probably deservedly buried. However, the series does include some rarely seen films by famed directors, and the adventuresome may indeed be rewarded with gems.

Two science fiction movies will be shown on Dec. 20: *Thunderbirds Are Go* and *Inframan.* Though the program note lists the country of origin of the second film as China, my guess is it is neither made in Hong Kong or Taiwan.

In any case, it sounds rather awful — would those who are brave enough to venture into this one drop us a line afterward to confirm the suspicion?

The next program looks more promising: three early, made-for-television films by Ken Russell. *Isadora Duncan* has been shown at the Roxie, but both *Dante's Inferno* and *Song of Summer* have not been seen in the Bay Area for a long time —if they have actually been screened here at all. All of them will share the same bill on Jan. 3.

Other films in the series that are of interest include: Jerzy Skolimowski's *The Adventures of Gerard* (1/17); Sidney Lumet's *The Offense,* starring Sean Connery and Trevor Howard (1/31); Bo Widerberg's *Man on the Roof* (1/31); and Peter Duffell's *England Made Me,* based on Graham Greene's novel, starring Michael York and Peter Finch (2/14). □

Brenda Tom to Give Piano Recital

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Nutcracker and Other Holiday Season Treats

Mikhail Baryshnikov and Gelsey Kirkland star in the American Ballet Theater production of *The Nutcracker,* to air on Channel 9 on Sat., Dec. 11 at 9 pm, and Sun., Dec. 12 at 6 pm.

By MICHAEL LAM

Just around this time every year, while the downtown department stores try desperately to out-snow each other in their display windows, all the major ballet companies and some of the minor ones are frantically putting the finishing touches on their own versions of *The Nutcracker.*

Do the children remember their entrances?: Is the little tear in the Sugar Plum fairy's costume from last year sufficiently patched up? Are the masks for the rats ready?

FANTASY

And the most important question: is the magic going to work this year: Unlike ballets like *Swan Lake* or *The Sleeping Beauty, The Nutcracker* has very little dancing in it.

Its success depends largely on its production. Audiences would not only be bored, but would actually feel cheated, if the illusion of a fantasy kingdom full of enchanting creatures is not achieved.

But more often than not, the show will go well, and everyone will go home happily, with a taste of sweetness in his or her heart.

Hard-core ballet fans don't usually care for *The Nutcracker* — if they do, they are too embarrassed to admit it publicly. However, they dutifully catch a performance or two every year.

Those who absolutely refuse to go are accused of being bad sports, and they immediately fall into the same class as Scrooge.

CHILD-LIKE

When *The Nutcracker* was first danced in 1892 at the Maryinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg, it was a failure. It had yet to become a tradition, and the audience did not appreciate the childlike quality of the ballet. But miraculously, it survived.

When it was produced in the West by the Sadler's Wells Ballet in 1934, the reception was much better. America did not get to see a full-production until the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo presented it in 1940.

Soon it became an annual ritual. There isn't a major regional company that does not boast its own production of *The Nutcracker,* and there is hardly a dancer who has not been in it one way or the other.

With a lovely score composed by Tchaikovsky, the ballet was first assigned to choreographer Marius Petipa. He felt ill at the last minute, and the task was taken over by his assistant, Lev Ivanov.

FIGHT

Today, there are more versions of *The Nutcracker* than any other ballet in history. Some of them try to be faithful to Ivanov's original, and others are drastically different.

Most of the time, the little girl in the story is called Clara, but sometimes she is called Marie. Most versions feature the fight between the Nutcracker and the Rat King, finding the action too good to pass up. And more often than not, the first act ends with the grand Snowflakes divertissement.

But do not count on seeing the Sugar Plum fairy every time you attend a performance of *The Nutcracker.* Though her pas de deux was the only piece of decent dancing in the original, some of the latter-day choreographers are simply unimpressed by her magical presence, and cruelly cut her part out completely.

The most popular staging of *The Nutcracker* is no doubt the one by Balanchine. It was created for the New York City Ballet in 1954, and has been on the company's repertoire ever since.

The City Ballet, though, was not the first American company to present a full-length *Nutcracker* —the San Francisco Ballet was.

ELABORATE

SFB first danced it in 1944. It was choreographed by William Christensen. The current version is staged by Lew Christensen, and is the company's third production of *The Nutcracker.*

This year it will be presented at the Opera House Dec. 15 through Jan. 2, and should once again prove to be the Bay Area's most elaborate staging of the ballet.

Oakland Ballet will dance its version at the Paramount Theatre Dec. 17 through 28. This production, staged by Ronn Guidi, is said to be closer to the original story by E. T. A. Hoffman than other versions.

The most unusual staging this year might turn out to be Tandy Beal's. Beal is a highly regarded modern choreographer, and it will be interesting to find out what she does with the traditional ballet, which will be presented at the Performing Arts Center at U.C. Santa Cruz Dec. 16 through 19.

SLEEPER

Theater Ballet of San Francisco's *Nutcracker* has the potential of being the sleeper of the year. It boasts the first American appearance of freshly defected Bolshoi ballerina Galina Tchoursina, who will dance the role of the Sugar Plum fairy. The performances, between Dec. 17 and 20, will be presented at Cupertino's Flint Center.

A filmed version of the ballet, starring Edward Villela, will be screened at the U.C. Theatre in Berkeley on Dec. 12. It was made ion Germany in 1967, and was choreographed by Kurt Jacob.

The most accessible *Nutcracker* this season can be seen on Channel 9 Dec. 11 at 9 pm, and Dec. 12 at 6:05 pm. This is the same American Ballet Theatre production that was premiered in 1977 on PBS, with its choreographer Baryshnikov dancing the title role.

Clara is danced by the brilliant Gelsey Kirkland, who, after two years of absence, has recently rejoined ABT. The grand pas de deux in Act 2 is danced, feverishly and flawlessly, by Baryshnikov and Kirkland. And, believe me, one does not even miss the Sugar Plum fairy in this case.

DIFFERENT

For something a little different, try *The Nutcracker — A Fantasy on Ice.* It will be at the Warfield Dec. 20 through 26. Dorothy Hamill and Robin Cousins lead the cast.

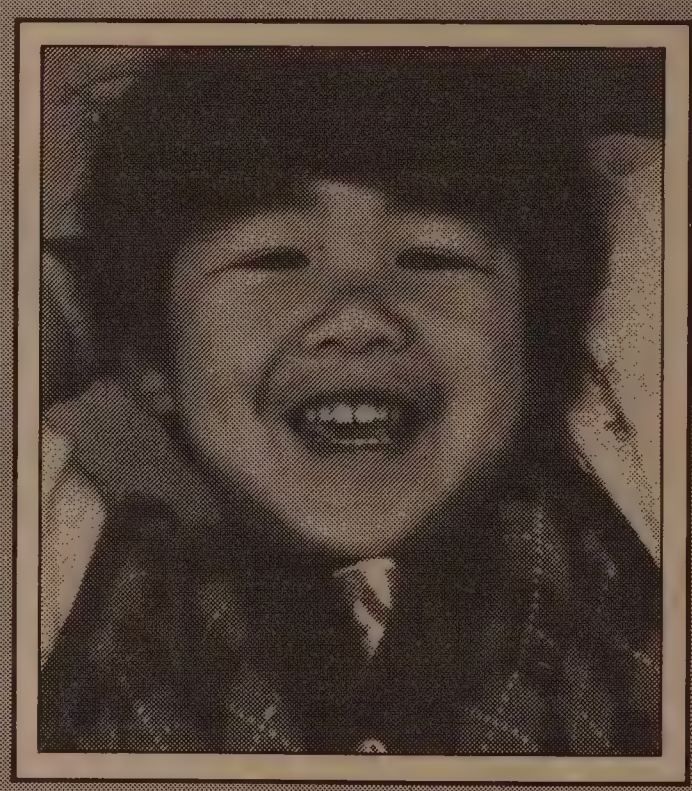
Hamill is also featured as the Spirit of the Flower in *Snow Queen: An Ice Ballet,* to be aired on Channel 9 Dec. 12 at 4:30 pm, and Dec. 13 at 8 pm. This fairy tale ballet-on-skates is choreographed by John Curry and Jean-Pierre Bonnefonx. It also stars Curry, Janet Lynn and Sandra Bezic.

Lastly, on Channel 9, though it has nothing to do with Christmas, is *The Green Table.* Danced by the Joffrey Ballet, this powerful anti-war masterpiece by Kurt Jooss is still as innovative as when it was created 50 years ago.

Airing Dec. 15 at 8 pm, *The Green Table* also includes excerpts of an interview with Jooss and portions of his three other dances. Be sure to watch it, especially if you have never seen the dance. □

C'town Library Presents Holiday Films in Dec.

SAN FRANCISCO — The Chinatown Branch Library, 1135 Powell, will present its Christmas Classics video film program on Tues., Dec. 21 through Thurs., Dec. 23. The following films will be shown: Dec. 21, A Christmas Carol;" Dec. 22, "It's a Wonderful Life;" and Dec. 23, "Miracle on 34th St." There will be two showings each day at 1:30 and 3:30 pm. Admission is free. For information, call 989-6770.



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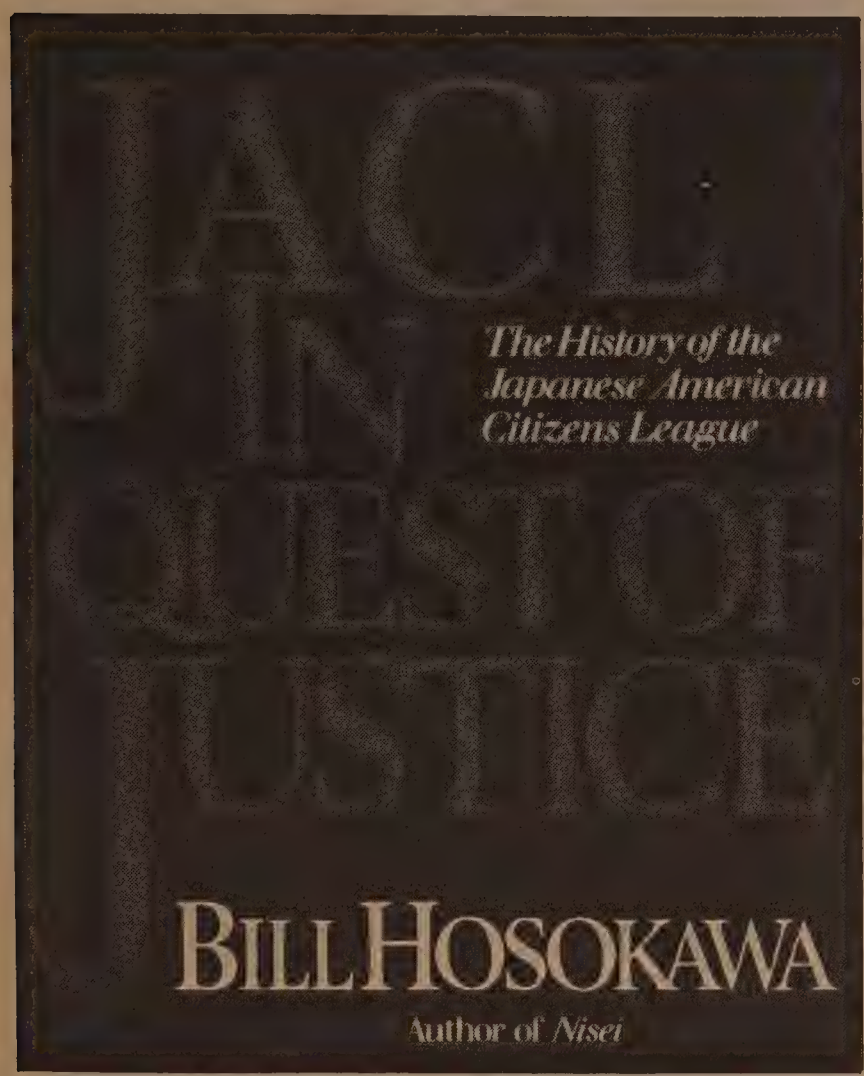
Hosokawa's Book Honors Those Who Served JACL



(Ed. Note: *Because of the widely divergent views of Mr. Hosokawa's book,* In Quest of Justice, East/West *has decided to run two reviews of the book, each representing a different perspective.*

Ray Okamura, of Berkeley, has written several essays and other pieces about the internment experience. Patrick Okura, of Bethesda, Maryland, was a member of the JACL committee which sponsored the book.)

JACL IN QUEST OF JUSTICE. By Bill Hosokawa. William Morrow & Company. New York. 1982. 383 pp. $15.50.

By PATRICK OKURA

JACL in Quest of Justice was commissioned by the Satow Memorial Committee as a tribute to Mas and Chiz Satow, for their many years of devoted service to the National Japanese American Citizens League.

The author, Bill Hosokawa, felt that the true history of JACL could not be told unless others who held leadership roles were included.

ACCOUNT

The book is an account of the Japanese American Citizens League — its origin, its trials and accomplishments, its failures, its triumphs. It recounts the great causes that united the organization, as well as the disagreements and quarrels that threatened to destroy the organization.

The JACL story is set in the social and historical milieu which made an organization such as JACL necessary. The story is not a "Who's Who" of JACL leaders and personalities, which some readers may construe it to be.

It is inevitable that names and personalities must be mentioned if a true picture of the organization is to be told. The fall and rise of the various projects carried out by the organization depended upon the personalities of the leaders at the time the projects were undertaken.

In telling the JACL story, many deserving individuals were overlooked. This is unfortunate, but understandable.

FIGHT

Despite the fact that the JACL story was dedicated to the Satows, it is not the Mas Satow story or his biography, but the story of the organization which he helped to build and which meant so much to him, and to which he contributed so greatly.

The story of JACL is told in a chronological pattern from its first convention to the 25th convention in 1980, which was the 50th anniversary of the organization.

The author relates the tough fight for acceptance of the Niseis and their parents, the Isseis, and the dissatisfaction of the young Nisei which led to the ultimate founding of an organization that became known as JACL.

The young Niseis were motivated in the same manner which many of our third and fourth generation Japanese Americans are motivated today for a better life. They were frustrated by their inability to overcome social and economic discrimination based on race, and by the injustice which prevented them from sharing the American dream.

ACCOMODATED

The author stresses throughout the book how the organization chose to achieve its objectives by working through the system, which was part of the Nisei cultural upbringing.

Hosokawa also discusses the strong influence of the elders and the large part it played on how the leaders of JACL accommodated to the confrontations and problems they faced.

The JACL story reveals the tremendous number of obstacles, real and imaginary, that the Niseis encountered during the early years of the organization.

There were a number of laws and various anti-oriental legislation that were on our statute books that precluded the Niseis' equality of opportunity in the land of their birth.

DEBATE

The chapters, in this book, devoted to the war years, Evacuation, Executive Order 9066, Incarceration and Post War years, shed a great deal of light on the "whys and hows" of the decisions made to cope with the tremendous problems faced at that time.

As to whether these decisions or solutions were the wisest and most profitable to the group, may be a question of considerable debate. Among the younger generation, there seems to be a vast amount of doubt on this point, but it is so easy for those to question now the action of our leaders during those trying years.

Unless we can place ourselves in the situation that existed at that time, with the tremendous anti-Japanese sentiment, especially on the West Coast, it is difficult to make an unbiased determination as to whether JACL and its leaders made the right or wrong decisions.

IDEAL

It is comforting to note that there were among our group, men and women who were devoted to an ideal and a dream. They took a stand and fought for what they felt was right, just and moral. Hindsight always seems to have 20-20 vision!

The author has told the JACL story in a very readable and logical manner. He should be commended for his remarkable ability to capture the true personalities of the leaders of the organization.

It is a *must* reading for all Americans if they are to understand what makes the Nisei what they are today. □

In Quest of Justice: Endless Repetition

By RAYMOND OKAMURA

JACL in Quest of Justice is the third house-history of the Japanese American Citizens League written by the perennial housewriter, Bill Hosokawa.

One might wonder why this latest rendition was necessary since the history of the JACL was alreasdy published under the title *Nisei, the Quiet Americans* (1969) and rehashed in *East to America* (1980).

COMPELLED

In fact, vast portions of the text are taken verbatim from the previous two works. The author seems compelled to tell the same tale over and over, as if endless repetition is the only way to get people to believe him.

Before World War II, the JACL was a young, ineffective organization of little consequence. During the war, they ascended through the sponsorship of the government. And after the war, they achieved a solid record of accomplishments.

Thus, JACL activities before or after the war do not arouse much passion. It is their conduct during the war which caused blood pressure to rise.

SIMPLISTIC

There were unavoidable, practical reasons for submitting to the incarceration (in which the US government interned over 110,000 Japanese Americans in remote camps during World War II solely on the basis of their Japanese background).

The alternatives, however, were not as simplistic as Hosokawa suggests.

The enthusiastic, flag-waving type of cooperation adopted by the JACL was not the only viable choice. Another approach to the problem might have been to grudgingly comply under protest and carry on the fight in the courts.

There are degrees of cooperation; and the controversy is not over cooperation per se, but rather the zealousness with which the JACL acted.

DEFICIENCY

The biggest deficiency in this book is Hosokawa's failure to take into account the results of recent research. He discusses the plight of individuals who sought judicial review but does not indicate how the JACL interacted with these efforts.

Other writers have clearly documented the vehement and active opposition of the JACL to test cases. For example, a Naval Intelligence report shows that the JACL took it upon themselves to crush a budding legal defense committee at the Minidoka Concentration Camp.

Hosokawa covers the beatings suffered by JACL leaders at the hands of fellow inmates, but he ignores the causes for such violence. Some of the unmentioned causes included:

(1) complaints about deplorable camp conditions which led to the demonstrations in the first place;

(2) deep resentments against certain JACL leaders for becoming informers;

(3) animosities created by the presumptuousness of a small, unrepresentative group requesting a military draft for the inmates;

(4) bitterness fostered by the ability of JACL leaders to leave

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the camps — almost at will — while everyone else remained prisoners.

CRUCIAL

Scholars familiar with the records at the National Archives know that the JACL sent reams of reports and recommendations to the camp administration. Whether or not such action amounted to collaboration is open to interpretation, but Hosokawa appears to be unaware of this crucial evidence.

It also appears that he did not bother to read the minutes of the emergency JACL meeting of March 1942, because contained therein is a dumbfounding resolution urging the government to use the rationale of "necessity" to imprison Japanese Americans!

There is no doubt that the JACL played a major role in the development of Japanese America; and an impartial, well-researched history of the organiza- welcome.

In rescinding Executive Order 9066, which had authorized the imprisonment of Japanese Americans, President Gerald Ford stated, "an honest reckoning, however, must include a recognition of our. . . mistakes as well as our. . . achievements."

Unfortunately, Hosokawa betrayed his journalistic background and the *Rashomon* allegory by writing a cheap, one-sided account. He's had three chances and struck out. □

Oakland Chinese Church Presents Holiday Music

OAKLAND — The Oakland Chinese Presbyterian Church choir presents an evening of Christmas music on Sat., Dec. 11, 8 pm at 265-8th St. in Oakland.

The performance guest soloists Angela Choy, Jonathan Lau, Wingage Wong, and cellist Angela Lee. A free offering will be accepted.

Shopping Complex Meets Affirmative Action Goals

BUSINESS

SAN FRANCISCO — In accordance with the provisions of its lease for a shopping complex at SF Airport, Duty Free Shoppers, Ltd. has sub-leased space to a minority-owned business, a woman-owned business and a small business enterprise.

The three sub-leases account for 25% of the space leased to Duty Free Shoppers, right on target for the affirmative action goal set by the Airport Commission.

GOAL

Julie Yim of the Human Rights Commission told *East/West* that both the HRC and the Airport Commission wished to set up a plan for minority business participation at the airport.

"We wanted to just set aside a certain amount of space for minority businesses," recalled Yim, "but that was unconstitutional.

"(However), we could write into the lease that there be a goal — not a quota, but a goal — for minority business participation. Duty Free Shoppers got the lease and met this goal exactly," she explained.

SUCCESS

Jerry Lee, who will be running an art and poster shop under the Duty Free Shoppers sub-lease, called the program a "success" and described the procedure used to help bring minority businesses to the airport.

He said that the Airport Commission held a meeting approximately eight months ago, a meeting attended by 50 to 60 minority business people.

They heard of the commision's desire to see more minority businesses at the airport and were asked to seek out the sub-leases once the master lease was awarded.

AWARDED

"Once Duty Free Shoppers was awarded the lease, they were given a list of minority businesses who had been asked to participate. We were informed that Duty Free Shoppers had received the lease and asked to contact them to see what kinds of shops they were interested in."

After a series of negotiations and interviews, Duty Free Shoppers awarded the subleases, leasing 25% of the space to minority businesses.

Another of the subleases was awarded to Maimi Yee, an Asian American woman, and her partner Donnetta Clayborne, a black woman. They will be running a western shop, featuring western attire and native American art goods.

Clayborne said she was very pleased by the procedures used to obtain minority participation. "Duty Free Shoppers was very open and willing to discuss what needed to be done to ensure our participation."

CHANCE

She said that without the Airport Commission's stipulation that minority businesses be involved in the shopping facility, she doubted if minority businesses would have had much of a chance obtaining the subleases.

"It would have been impossible to beat out the people with the money and the resources," she observed, noting that Duty Free Shoppers had to make concessions to help the minority business.

"The open market would have left small businesses and minority businesses out in the cold. We hate being considered just because we're a minority, but we're very pleased with the result." □

Stanford Hosts Int'l Business Confab Jan. 15

STANFORD — A conference on international business in developing countries will be held at Stanford University's Graduate School of Business on Sat., Jan. 15.

Sponsored by four student organizations, with funding from eight US corporations, the conference will focus on how a corporation's profit objectives can be integrated into a host country's development strategy.

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Sue Pai Yang (l) and Ronald Chen (r) greet retiring New Jersey Supreme Court Justice Morris Pashman and newly-appointed Justice Marie Garibaldi at a banquet honoring Pashman.

Chen was recently selected as editor-in-chief of the Rutgers University Law School law review. He is the first Asian American to serve in that school's prestigious position.

Yang, a co-founder of the Pacific/Asian Coalition in New Jersey, is a new member of the law review staff. (Photo by Marc Ducker)

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Gov't Releases Hitachi Memos in Computer Case

SAN FRANCISCO — Federal prosecutors in the case against Hitachi have assembled a ream of documents to show that the Japanese company consciously bought stolen IBM computer trade secrets, the *San Francisco Examiner* reported.

Hitachi and some of its employees are charged with conspiring to transport stolen IBM confidential data to Japan.

The documents presented by prosecutors in US District Court include correspondence between undercover investigators and Hitachi officials suggesting that information the Japanese company planned to buy had been stolen.

The Hitachi case stems from an undercover FBI investigation set up last year to investigate thefts and counterfeiting of electronic components. A jury trial has been tentatively set for April 15.

Hitachi, meanwhile, has filed a motion asking the court to throw out the case, claiming selective prosecution and denial of due process. □

US Computer Firm Sues Japan Company

TOKYO — A leading US computer software firm has sued a Japanese company for alleged infringement of copyright on a software program designed for a computer made in Japan, Associated Press reported.

Microsoft Corp. of Bellevue, Wash. is suing Shuwa System Trading Inc. in what is expected to be a test case for the protection of American high technology sales to Japan.

The suit seeks a permanent injunction against sales of a manual for a program used in a Nippon Electric Co. microcomputer. □

Japan Reduces Economic Growth Figures for 1982

TOKYO — In light of a long-term business slump, Japan has lowered its economic growth projections for 1982. The country also plans to reduce its spending.

Finance Ministry officials will submit a supplementary budget reflecting a $7.9 million decrease, and also will call for a national bond issue of about $15 million to make up for the projected $22.6 million deficit.

Scaling the economic growth rate down from the original 5.2% to revised 3.4%, Economic Planning Agency director General Toshio Komoto told government cabinet members that the new goal would be achieved through development of domestic rather than foreign markets.

Government officials also predict that for the first time in 30 years, the nation's exports will decline. They attribute the fall to the worldwide recession. □

Asian Countries Ready for Influx Of HK Money

MANILA — Businessmen and government officials in the Philippines, Thailand and other East Asian countries are poised to cash in on flight of business from Hong Kong.

The actions come in the wake of China's indications that it intends to regain sovereignty over the British colony, the *Los Angeles Times* reported.

Though China has given assurances that the mainland would not tinker much with Hong Kong's capitalist style, some Hong Kong financiers are nevertheless expected to move their money elsewhere.

Other countries in the region "are positioning themselves to capture as much fleeing capital as possible," according to the *Times*.

Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos has acknowledged as much, the paper said. Following a recent decree making it easier for foreign investors to gain permanent residency status in their country, he told reporters: "Of course this is deliberately aimed at the Hong Kong exodus, if there is such an exodus." □

Chevron Donates Tonka Trucks to Wu Yee Center

SAN FRANCISCO — The Chevron Corp. will spread some holiday cheer in C'town with its annual Christmas donation of Tonka trucks to the various Chinatown childcare center.

The donation will take place on Wed., Dec. 15, from 10 to 11 am at the Wu Yee Resource and Referral Center, 777 Stockton, Suite 202. A song and dance program will also be part of the festivities. For information, contact Doria Moy at 391-8993. □

A line-up of "Bullet" trains in Japan. NOVA reports on the high-speed trains of today and the super-speed trains of tomorrow in "Taking the Supertrains," airing Sat., Dec. 11 at 6:30 pm on KQED-Channel 9.

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US 'Optimistic' On New US-China Textile Agreement

COLUMBIA, SC — With the Dec. 31 expiration date of the current US-China textile pact just over a month away, US Trade Representative William Brock said he is "cautiously optimistic" that an equitable agreement will be worked out before the first of the year. If not, unilateral trade conditions will be imposed by the US on Chinese textiles, Brock warned.

"If we don't have a negotiated settlement, we will have no choice but to impose a unilateral agreement," Brock said, noting that while the US has the most open market "by far in the world," "it's got to be a two-way street."

During the past several months, China has been producing and exporting textiles heavily to the US, causing concern among US textile companies. But Brock refused to place most of the blame for the troubles of the textile industry on foreign imports.

"The textile industry in this country is more dependent on the economy than on this agreement," he told a group of textile executives meeting at the University of South Carolina. □

Census Bureau to Conduct Business Survey in '83

WASHINGTON — The US Census Bureau will conduct its next survey of the nation's economic activities in early 1983.

The economic censuses are conducted every five years, covering such items as numbers and types of businesses, employment and payroll information and data on sales, expenses, assets and inventories.

US law requires firms to respond, but also requires the Census Bureau to keep reported information confidential. □

EVENTS

WED, DEC. 1 thru WED, DEC. 22
"Have You Heard," East West Players, 4424 Santa Monica Boulevard, LA. Runs Tues. through Sun. $7.50 to 9.50. (213)660-0366.

THURS, DEC. 9, 6:30 pm
Asian American Bar Assoc. holiday cocktail party. Bok Sen Restaurant, 710 Webster St., Oakland. Free. 781-8254.

THURS, DEC. 9, 7:30 pm
Chinese American Democratic Club meeting. C'town YMCA, 855 Sacramento St., SF. 397-3296.

THURS, DEC. 9 thru SAT, DEC. 11, 8 pm
First annual Asian Aemrican video festival. Dec. 9, Dancetiria, 30 West 21st St., NY. Dec. 10 & 11,

SAT, DEC. 11, 8 am-3 pm
Conference on "Careers in Bilingual Education," University of Southern California, LA, $8, advance, $10 door. (213)743-2930.

SAT, DEC. 11, 9 am
Asians Now!, channel 2. Asian American artists discuss holiday gift ideas.

SAT, DEC. 11, 10 am
Workshop on Automobile Accident and Insurance. Castelar Elementary School auditorium, 840 Yale St., LA. Free. (213)221-4100.

SAT, DEC. 11, 8pm
Christmas choral group performs at the Oakland Chinese Presbyterian church, 265 8th St., Iakland. Free, donations accepted. 763-9129.

SAT, DEC. 11, 11 pm
Chinese Community Hour Radio pregramming, KALW FM 91.7.

SAT, DEC. 11, 11 pm
Collective for Living Cinema, 52 White St., NY. Opening night admission, $5, other nights, $3. (212)925-8685.

SUN, DEC. 12, 5:30 pm
American Cancer Society Christmas ball, with Bob Hope. Hyatt Regency, SF. Tickets $125. 673-7979.

SUN, DEC. 12, 9 pm
Chinese Community Hour radio programing, KQED FM 88.5. Music recitals by Liu Wei-san on the *ku zheng* and Sun Zhong-jian on the *er hu*.

MON, DEC. 13, 8pm
Piano recital by Brenda Tom. Hellman Hall, SF Conservatory of Music, 1201 Ortega (at 19th Free.

WED, DEC. 15, 10 pm
Cellist Yo-yo Ma performs with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, channel 9.

THURS., DEC. 16, 10:30, 11 am, 2:30, 3:30 pm
Free children's films. Pre-school, 10:30, 11 am, 2:30 pm. School age, 3:30 pm. Northbeach branch library, 2000 Mason St. 391-9473.

THURS, DEC. 16, 7 pm
Christmas performance at St. Mary's auditorium, 902 Stockton St., SF. Three one-act plays presented by St. Mary's Spectra Youth Project. Free. 362-7394.

FRI, DEC. 17, noon to 2 pm
United Savings of America Luncheon for seniors 62 and over, USA Oakland branch, 367 8th St., Oakland. Free, tickets available at Oakland branch office. 836-2881.

SAT, DEC. 18, 9 am
Asians Now!, channel 2. New Improvisation group from the Asian American Theater Co. presents several comedy skits.

SAT, DEC. 18, 7 pm
Tenth anniversary banquet dinner, for Chinese Progressive Association, Louie's of Grant Ave., 1014 Grant Ave., SF, no-host cocktials at 6 pm, dinner $15. 776-3182 by Dec. 1.

TUES, DEC. 21 thru THURS, DEC. 23, 1:30 & 3:30 pm
C'town branch library Christmas Classics free video series. 12/21, "A Christmas Carol;" 12/22, "It's a Wonderful Life;" 12/23, "Miracle on 34th Street." 1135 Powell, SF. Free. 989-6770.

FRI, DEC. 24, 7:30 pm
15th Annual Rose Ball beauty pageant. Hilton Hotel Plaza Room, Mason and O'Farrell, SF. 441-8326 for reservations, pageant information.

SUN, JAN. 9, 5pm
Jeanne Joe, author of *Ying-Ying: Pieces of a Childhood*, on KPFK 90.7 FM.

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Korea to Set Up Legal Aid Clinics in US

SEOUL — A Korean legal aid organization plans to open centers in a dozen cities in the US to assist Korean immigrants, the *Korean Herald* reported.

Dr. Lee Tai-pyoung, director of the Korea Legal Aid Center for Family Relations in Seoul, left for the US last month to get the US branches off the ground.

She said the new centers are designed to help those among the 600,000 Koreans in the US who face difficulties in adjusting to American life. They also will help Korean women who came to the US after marrying American soldiers serving in Korea.

Dr. Lee said the centers will be staffed by volunteers, and most will operate out of Korean churches. □

Local Stores Make Donations to Berkeley Jobless

BERKELEY — Lucky, Safeway and Co-op supermarkets recently donated gift certificates for Thanksgiving and Christmas food purchases to Berkeley's Asians for Job Opportunities program. Approximately 75 unemployed or underemployed people in the program are the beneficiaries. □

HC #4 Holds Glaucoma Screening

SAN FRANCISCO — Health Center #4 will hold a glaucoma screening clinic on Saturday morning, Dec. 11, at 1490 Mason St. Cost for the service is $1, or free to those unable to pay. Call 558-3158 to set up an appointment. □

Two Chinese Musicians Heard On Dec. FM Radio

SAN FRANCISCO — A recital by two prominent Chinese musicians, zither player Liu Weisan and two-string fiddle player Sun Zhongjian, will be broadcast on Chinese Community Hour radio programs this month. Airtimes are Dec. 12 and 19, 9-10 pm on KQED-FM (88.5) and Dec. 18 and 25, 11-12 pm on KALW-FM (91.7). □

Chinese Ceramics Shown at NW University in Dec.

EVANSTON, Ill. — An exhibition of Chinese cereamics spanning nearly 4,000 years has opened at Northwestern University's Mary and Leigh Block Gallery. The collection of 87 works on loan from Chicago area museums and individuals will remain on view through Jan. 16. □

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二七　頤和園（之四）

到了頤和園的西部，畫中游是依山建築的。中間一座八角兩層的樓閣，朱樑綉户，金碧輝煌。東西兩側都對稱的配置了兩亭兩樓，用爬山廊互相連結，掩映在山石花樹叢中，使人生畫中遊的興緻。閣後山坡有白石牌坊，後山還有三間小殿，同樣也有遊廊相通，縈迴曲折，極有情趣，人們都留戀這北國江南，流連不忍離去。

聽鸝館在萬壽山前山，內有供宮廷演出的兩層戲樓，乾隆年間建成，光緒時又改建，規模遠不及德和園的宏偉，早年已閒置不用了。頤和園改爲公園以後，那裡就已改爲茶室餐廳，供遊客休憩。經營人爲號召招徠，有意把家具器皿，模仿宮廷色彩，頗能引起懷舊之情，據說現在仍保留了當年的氣派。

清晏舫原來稱爲石舫，是萬壽山西麓建在昆明湖上的一座石船。乾隆時建成的，採用中國式的樓船畫舫模式，有艙有樓，也被英法聯軍破壞，到光緒時再復建起來，改成西式的船艙，取意于「河清海晏」，命名爲清晏舫。船長四五十米，是用大塊的細麻石雕砌的船身。兩層艙樓，雖然是木結構，却漆成大理石紋路，可以亂真。舫頂用雕磚裝飾，非常精巧。慈禧太后常常在那裡乘涼賞月，據說她尤愛在風雨之夕，在那裡欣賞水浪搏擊的濤聲，幻想乘風破浪的豪興。

山北坡的後湖，俗稱蘇州河。本來是山脚下的一條溪水，乾隆時用人工修鑿，隨着山勢的縈迴，蜿蜒穿流在蒼松翠竹磷磵山石之間。湖畔舊日是買賣街，也叫蘇州街，一些販賣絲綢、假珠寶和花粉胭脂的商販，就在這條小街上設店營業，專做園內的宮娥彩女的生意，往日是很繁盛的。

昆明湖上還有東堤和西堤。著名的十七孔橋就飛垮在東堤和南湖島之間，猶如長虹卧波。橋頭橋欄雕着各種獸形，狀貌如生。東堤岸立在銅牛，鑄造非常精美，是乾隆年間爲了鎮壓水患而設。牛背上還有牛銘，雕工技術極其精巧。南湖島是開擴昆明湖堆積的湖泥形成的。島上有龍王堂，後來改爲廣潤靈雨祠，算是宮內祈雨的地方。當年慈禧太后由水路入園時，便在南湖島碼頭登陸，進到祠內去燒香。東堤岸邊的知春亭，環植垂柳，憑欄可望全湖景色，據說每年昆明湖春暖解凍，都是從此地開始。所以取名知春亭，係採「春江春暖鴨先知」的詩意，頗饒逸趣。現在昆明湖夏季闢了游泳池，冬令湖水冰封，已成首都人民的天然滑冰廣場。

西堤有六橋名勝，是乾隆模仿西湖蘇堤建造的。其中以玉舉橋是選用青石和漢白玉雕砌的。拱捲高挺，輪廓的綫條非常流暢。在青波蕩漾襯托之下，宛如玉帶，日本人講求模仿，許多地區的橋樑，特別是公園和宮廷所裝置的拱橋，類皆模仿它的外貌。

頤和園在一九四九年以後，作爲公園繼續開放，但園中有很多著名的庭院，却被分配給高級幹部作爲別墅，禁人參觀，顯然是特權階級的表現。目前中國正在清除特權享受，官僚特權，不知是否把這些禁苑也一律收回，開放遊覽觀賞了。

太廟琉璃門

知心話

余卓雄

紅木谷

今年的勞動節週末，我像過去的二十多年一樣，參加教會在紅木谷舉辦的退修會。紅木谷名符其實，地形像一口淺碗，處處古樹參天，其中最令人注目的，當然是使加里福尼亞州聞名世界的紅木。紅木在深山幽谷之中，一向都是出人頭地，人在下面望上去，就像站在紐約的聳天高樓之下，所不同的是紅木谷的氣魄，能立刻把人帶進一個洪荒的世界裡，那時候紅木的種子不過是一顆小微粒，恐怕連普通人的肉眼也難發現它；如今，這些小微粒成了巨大無比的森林，根深蒂固，飽經風霜，歷盡滄桑，它們似乎在傲視群倫，暗笑人類的浮生虛幻；我不禁呆住，頗覺萬念俱消，憂慮全失，耳朵聽不見凡音，祇聞仙樂飄繞，心曠神怡，一時分不出天上人間！

人類有一件最大的損失，就是離開了大自然。他們從原始的農村湧向城市，爲了追求更舒適的生活，從此和造物的主失了連絡，他們不再倚靠風調雨順，四季平安；現在最重要的，是電力和石油，這兩件東西控制了我們的衣食住行、政治、信仰。很少人敢去思想電力和石油是從那裡來的，因爲這些問題能把他們「趕」回大自然，那個他們祖先穴居之地，在那裡他們要靠天吃飯，可是他們寧可出去碰撞。

人類的誕生有兩個很寶貴的義意：第一，他們是上帝的兒女，有高度的智慧去管理全地。這個「管理」，就是勞動，勞動是生存的必須。第二，藉了勞動，人類能享受生活的快樂。不過，世上萬事，都有規律，人的生存也不能例外；這就是說，人既然是上帝的夥伴、同工，他如果把勞動的收穫全部歸爲私人的功勞，奇怪的事情便跟著發生：他全覺得自己的心永遠無法滿足，他的積聚愈多，空虛愈大，他一生奔波流汗，對自己的辛勞諸多詛咒。所以耶穌說：「凡勞苦負重担的人，可以到這裡來，我就使你們得安息。」

到耶穌那裡去，就是回到大自然去。人不能够忘本，我們究竟從那裡來的呢？我們在這裡爲什麼？我們最後到那裡去？這三個問題一天不解決，我們一天不得安息。紅木谷中的老樹因了我們的無知而搖頭歎息。因爲它們見慣了英雄豪傑的烟逝，上帝使它們高高豎立在世世代代之中，就是要給我們似乎在傲視群倫，暗笑人類的浮生虛幻；我不禁呆住，頗覺萬念俱消，憂慮全失，耳朵聽不見凡音，祇聞仙樂飄繞，心曠神怡，一時分不出天上人間！

我對於那些在勞動節假期中還是沉迷於賺錢，或僅求身體休息的人感到難過，任何一種的娛樂都沒有辦法使我們的靈魂甦醒，我們沒有對症下藥；現代人的生活雖然舒適，然而他們在精神上却大大的透支了。美國政府近年來把許多公衆假期盡量編在一起，好叫人民有多幾個一連四天的長假休息，可惜神經緊張的人一點也沒有減少。

我們應該都在我們附近的「紅木谷」去經常走走，甚至是一個小花園都好，在那些沙石花草之間，留心去聽聽上帝的足音，由遠而近，好像創世之初，他來到伊甸園問亞當一樣：「亞當，你在那裡？」那一天亞當因吃了禁果而畏罪躲藏起來；但是在今天，耶穌却在溫柔地向我們呼喚：「凡勞苦負重担的人，可以到我這裡來，我就使你們得安息。」我們還不趕快站出來麼？

短聞

★華埠北岸區十二月份發糧包日期爲十二月十五、十六（週三、四）兩日，上午九至十二時，下午一至四時半在市德頓街勝利堂分發。請備證件到領。

★東北衛生局第四分局自八三年一月五日起逢週三下午二至四時開設孕婦指導班、粵語講解孕期健康，胎兒發育、家庭計劃，及料理嬰兒方法等。美臣街一四〇九號。

★華埠女青年會於十二月廿日起，舉辦「英語拼音速成班」爲期三週。每週一至五上午八至九時半，教英語發音及拼音，並個別幫助糾正發音。學費會員廿元，非會員卅元，限額廿名，男女不拘。企李街九六五號，（四一五）三九七一六八八三。

★華埠女青年會於十二月十日下午一時半至三時半，特邀威廉先生專題講解如何「靜坐」？（Meditation）「靜坐」對身體有何好處。不收費用，以英語講解，專人翻譯。地點：跑華街九四〇號安老公寓。電（四一五）三九七一六八八六。

★東華醫院院長李時佑稱：加省醫藥福利局未付給東華醫院之老人醫療費約十五萬元。現經加州下議員艾諾士協助，會同沙加緬度之電腦科學公司清理約卅宗未付之醫療福利金，可能於未來兩個月內付出，此舉對目前東華醫院之赤字有極大之幫助。又最近東華醫院獲加州政府之醫藥治療合約津貼一事亦曾得艾氏從中斡旋云。

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賭城拉斯維加斯的凱撒皇宮賭場決定以重金聘請香港著名的雛鳳鳴粵劇團前往演出，並說全部對白英譯後以字幕放出，以帮助非華人觀衆欣賞云。
初聞這消息，還以爲凱撒皇宮賺得錢多，要做善事，替粵劇做些推廣工作。後來賭城來客稱：近日世界不景，波及賭城。凱撒皇宮邀雛鳳鳴遠道來訪，實欲多吸引華人賭客。
（黃就）

浮世漫錄

蔣光大

二七一、雷根經濟

今日到超級市場購物，觀察消費市場的近況，發覺一般顧客花錢都很謹慎，幾乎每個人祇選購有限的食物和日用品，裝滿一隻紙袋，捧着離去，不像往年這時候大包小包滿載而歸的情形，足見經濟不景氣還未好轉。

前晚有個電視節目作了一項用電話測驗觀衆的意見，問題是「政府應否負責愈來愈嚴重的失業情況？」。大多數人認爲政府應該負責。但是按雷根總統的經濟政策，政府不應該多干涉自由經濟，減輕了私營企業的稅額，就會增加再生產，失業問題自然就會解決。這種理論至今未見其實際效果。

最近，雷根總統的鏡頭不斷出現在電視新聞報告中，一瞬間不過一兩秒鐘，不是上落飛機，就是上落直升機，春風滿面，步履輕捷，一般印象似乎這位七十高齡的總統越來越變得年輕了。在我們記憶中，兩年前卡特總統愁容滿面，强作笑臉的印象，成了十分尖銳的對比。雖說雷根總統原是電影演員，深知化裝能改變容貌，但見其表情，聽其談吐，不能不承認他是精神上十分愉快。

雷根和卡特來自完全不同的背境，處世立身各有自己的一套哲學。卡特喜歡發揮自己的才能，不很聽人家的話，做總統要日理萬機，如何能一切親自處理，結果像中國有句俗語，叫做「吃力不討好」。雷根的作風恰好相反，凡事有智囊團人物出主意，有顧問作研究，自己有口才能雄辯，因此減少了精神負擔，難怪他當了兩年總統後，神采更加飛揚，足見其心境的舒暢。

對雷根政府的政績，雖然有不少人批評，尤其失業人數的不斷增加，引起了普遍的責難，但通貨膨脹已獲控制，直接穩定了物價，因此還不能完全否定現行的經濟政策。在預算赤字空前龐大的情況下，國會能通過增加國防經費的提案，看來進一步改良核武裝備的計劃也會獲取國會的同意，這一切都將加强雷根的聲勢。這就難怪他當總統的興趣有增無減。

在國際形勢方面，雷根對蘇聯的强硬政策似乎把北極熊的威風削弱了，恢復了美國的威信，使批評政府內外政策的一些政論家，難作一致的結論。

最近民主黨的肯尼迪宣佈放棄下屆總統的競選，加强了雷根總統競選連任成功的可能性，即使他因爲年齡關係而無意戀棧，但國內外的形勢似乎對他很有利，智囊團人物大概不會放棄這種良好機會，一定策劃如何競選連任。如此看來，我們還要受「雷根經濟」的支配。

金山客批世情

★腸肚乾淨

泰國一名八歲女童吃肥皂上癮，每日一塊。

金山客曰：此人必無骯髒腸肚。

★亦有一慰

報載：三藩市流蕩街頭無家可歸者達八千至一萬人。

金山客曰：此等人唯一可告慰者，乃不受屋主加租之苦。

★吃十五年

香港一家新開張之餐館，取名「一九九七」。

金山客曰：據此，香港仍有十五年可吃。

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金山客曰：賣淫乃最「無出息」之行業，但要納「入息稅」。

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黃、李兩君自洛杉磯來，在茶叙中暢談他們跟洛城奧運籌備會接了一單生意，如何安排如何施工……。並說籌備會特別照顧少數民族和資本小的商人，值得表揚。談了不久話題便轉了方向，大家在討論體育與政治能否隔離，和北京、台北隊會不會都來參加下屆在洛杉磯舉行的世運會。

黃君說：「奧論都說體育與政治是兩回事。奧林匹克委員會內不應談政治。可是，我們生存在一個政治脫離不開的社會，又怎能不談政治呢？」甲君點點頭，說：「上月在印度舉行的第九屆亞洲運動會，美國報章報導的不多。在外表上看，印度作爲一個東道國，盡了極大的努力，獲得參賽者好評，但其中也離不開政治因素。」

李君說：「我看報上說：國際奧委會主席森瑪蘭奇表示不予承認，原因是主辦國印度沒有邀請以色列參加。據說印度警方認爲如邀以色列隊來，會場要增加一千名警衛員，否則無法保證隊員的安全。結果決定不請以色列，以免麻煩。」

甲君說：「事實上印度也沒有邀請柬埔寨參加。其中一樣有政治理由。印度沒有承認在森林中打游擊仗的民主柬埔寨，不會向他們發邀請信。但因爲東南亞各國和中國都反對金邊親越政權，所以也不便邀請那裏的代表。」

乙君問：「台灣運動員爲什麼不參加呢？」

李君說：「聽說亞洲運動協會把打給台北奧委會的電報拍去北京轉交。如果是事實，也是體壇上一個大笑話。台北本已退出亞協，但最近要求恢復會籍。我們都希望台灣運動員能參加各項國際性的賽事。」

我說：「台北電報局早已聲明不收中國大陸發的電報。北京可能在收到亞協自印度拍出的電報後，立即轉送台北，被台北收報員丟進廢紙箱去。」大家聽了大笑。

李君說：「我們海外華人對祖國有着深厚的情感，總希望在國際賽事中看到中國球員。當然，在體壇上不應太注重勝敗。但我們離開祖國時，尚是被人恥笑爲『東亞病夫』的時代。今天看到中國健兒吐氣揚眉，委實高興！」

黃君也說：「話說回來，我們談到體育與政治難於隔離，使我忽想起南北韓隊在這次亞運的成績。兩隊分別參加亞運，是以各持一幟的形式參加，並不是以聯隊形式參賽。以一個小國，又分爲兩隊來說，成績非常優異。例如體操團體賽一項，名次是中、日、北韓、南韓。我在想：如果兩隊合一，不是會給中、日兩強隊更大的威脅嗎？」

大家聽後默不作聲。事實上我們都知道黃君這番話，不是說給朝鮮人聽的，而是說給中國人聽的。（陳志福）

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劉百昌獲州長提名 上訴法庭首席法官

（本報訊）布朗州長在其卸任前數週，決定新提名六位加州上訴法庭法官，華裔法官劉百昌榮獲提名。

劉百昌法官現任舊金山市最高法庭法官，監管舊金山市青年監禁中心。已有十六年擔任法官經驗的劉氏，是在上週四得知這項新提名。

他表示在提名發表前，已有人揣測他將在州級法庭獲得新職位。他對新提名不表驚訝，但承認受任爲新成立的第五區上訴法庭首席法官是在意料之外。

身爲首席法官的劉氏將負責分配該庭其他法官，作出有關案件的書面意見，並審核開庭的申請書。劉氏認爲他過去的經驗對新工作大有助益。

過去，劉氏曾在舊金山市法庭擔任首席法官，全權處理無需陪審團的小宗案件，並且曾任許多組織的主席，如上任的加州法官協會主席。雖然他對行政工作不乏興趣，劉氏表示長期擔任審判的經驗，對其出任上訴法庭首席法官特別重要。

他說：「有審判知識非常重要，我將負責審查其他法官的工作，因此最好自己有第一手的工作經驗。」

劉氏在接受正式提名之前，尚需與加州最高法庭法官長羅絲・柏爾德、第一區最高法庭首席法官及新選任州長的喬治・杜美金面談，並經過公開的聽證會。但是因爲他有卓越的經驗，預計將不會遭到任何困難。

新當選州長的杜美金最近表示反對布朗在卸任前任命法官，但他同時也承認布朗有此權力。

杜美金的助手凱文・柏萊特日前對「舊金山紀事報」記者表示，杜美金將「依據各候選人的資歷來考慮他們的任命。」

加州法官審核委員會華裔委員李華表示，該會負責在州長任命之前，對候選人的能力進行審核。他說：「審核時廣爲徵求律師、法官等各界人士的意見，過程嚴格。因此過去經本會審核而提名的法官，從未被審核提名的三人小組拒絕。」

他認爲：「如果杜美金將依據各候選人的資歷來決定任命，則劉百昌一定會當選。」

亞裔律師協會的主席趙啓民也表示：「單就資歷而不論其種族背景，劉百昌氏即絕對有資格擔任州級法官，又更何況他在華裔社區中頗有人望。」

趙氏認爲：「最難的一關是在爭取州長的提名，獲得提名之後，則通過三人小組的審核只是應行的步驟。」

出身加州大學柏克萊分校法學院的劉百昌，是在一九六〇年被布朗州長選爲舊金山市法庭法官，後又被當時的州長朗諾・雷根升任爲市最高法庭法官。他是華裔第一位出任法官者。

審核面談將在兩週內進行，有意對劉氏任命提供書面意見者，請寄：

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劉百昌法官

舊金山總醫院將集中治療貧病者

（本報訊）舊金山「公共衛生局」公佈，自明年起凡申請「貧民醫療補助」（Medically indigent adults）的患者，將被集中「舊金山總醫院」就醫。

新的方案公佈後，華埠東華醫院的行政負責人唐・李察迪深表關切，他認爲這將對華裔病人造成很大的不便。他說：「華裔病人在本院享有雙語醫療人員及中式膳食的服務，如果集中到舊金山總醫院就醫，這類的服務將不存在。」

他並指出集中後可能產生的種種困難，如舊金山總醫院的設備及醫療人員不够，且地位偏遠，對華埠居民來說，交通上相當不便。

他認爲最大的問題是「貧病醫療補助」津貼的方式不同於「加州醫療保險」。後者的持有者是經政府審核收入低於一定標準者。而接受「貧病醫療補助」者是收入高於享有「加州醫保」者，但患病而無力償付醫藥費用。換言之，他們是在患病之後，才符合申請這項補助的資格，因此他們很難知道在患病之初即往舊金山總醫院就醫。

衛生局曾經提出一項方案，由社區的衛生處及醫院來負起照顧「貧病醫療補助」患者的責任，但是這一方案需要市政府追加一千萬元的經費，而被市長駁回。

現行方案將試圖以集中治療，來節省運用州政府提供的有限經費。但市長同意將在此案施行一段時間後，在明年三月間再行考慮任何必要的改變及預算追加。李察迪呼籲社區人士屆時參加聽證會，爭取由社區機構來負責這類醫療。

中國新憲與海外華人

（社論）最近北京修憲，要把文革中「四人幫」時代七五年的憲法和「左毒仍深」的七八年憲法中的錯誤糾正過來。全國僑聯副主席洪絲絲說：「華僑們是希望祖國政治穩定、政策合情合理、繁榮富强。」並說新憲法中將「明確地規定保護華僑、歸僑和僑眷的正當權益。」

海外華人聽了洪絲絲的話，相信大部份都會有同感。我們眼看祖國在這廿年來的多項運動和動亂，看見僑眷和祖國人民所受的苦難，誰不希望中國有一個穩定繁榮的局面。

可是中國領導人也要明白今天居留海外的華人，大都在居留地落籍安居，持中國護照旅居外地的「華僑」人數在比例上不多。全球以百萬計的外籍華人（特別是在若干東南亞地區的）除了飽嚐種族歧視之苦，還要受到政治上的逼害。例如越南、印尼政府因爲與北京失和，竟遷怒於當地華裔。馬來西亞與緬甸都是因爲境內有共黨活動，而對華人有所猜忌和歧視。在美國，雖然北京大使館、領事館人員都很明白華人社區情況，盡量設法不牽涉社區事務。但台北駐外官員却沒有這樣的認識和約束，他們不斷在社區中進行各種「僑務」工作，形成了一面倒的趨勢。如果北京領導人沒有一個良好對策，重陷國民黨人的覆轍，在我們社區中「爭面子、爭地位」，做些不切實際的表面工作，豈非加深華人社區的誤解和分裂？

中國憲法是一部關乎中國公民的憲法，持外籍的華人不便過問，我們也不應要求加進「海外華人」的條款。只望中國領導人知道海外華人雖然不再是中國公民，但他們在居留地的安危，常與中國政治形勢與國家政策有着極爲密切的關係。

（劉池光）

新僑中心廣播籌款

（本報訊）華埠新僑服務中心宣佈將在一月十一日時，進行本年度第二次的廣播籌款。

該中心董事會會長戴馮可珍表示，今年的預訂目標爲四萬元，將用於補助該中心的行政經費。

她表示：「我們並未被當局裁減這麼多的經費，但是因爲中國移民及來自中南半島及中國的難民激升，我們服務對象的數目也大增。因此爲了維持目前服務的能力，我們必須增加籌募經費。」

該中心對剛來美的人提供口譯，翻譯的服務，並輔導他們適應在美的新生活。

負責籌款工作的余河表示，去年廣播籌款獲得一萬八千元捐款，希望今年再度得到社區的支持。據戴馮可珍表示，捐款大多來自華埠的社區組織、銀行及宗親會。

過去捐款的過程中不乏感人的事實，如一位以前受惠於該中心服務的華人，特別爲了籌足五百元捐款，額外擔任了幾晚守夜的工作。還有車衣廠的工人，雖然薪金微薄，仍勉力捐助小額現款，令人感動。

捐款活動將在「華語廣播電台及電視台」進行一天，該台將公佈捐款人姓名並公開致謝。新僑中心並將自即日起接受捐款。欲知進一步消息者，請電話四二一—〇九四三。